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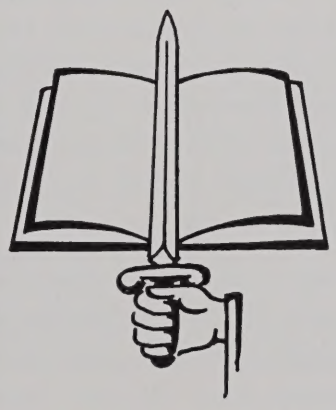

COVER SYMBOLS

The CROSS symbolizes death. The XP monogram constitutes the first two letters of the Greek word "Xpictoc" meaning CHRIST.

For a century the Word has been preached in our church by way of the cross of JESUS CHRIST.

I Cor. 1:23

The CHALICE AND WHEAT is a symbol of Jesus' complete sacrifice.

At each communion service our people have been reminded of this anew.

Luke 22:19, 20

The SWORD and BIBLE are symbols of the Christian's continuous fight and struggle.

These have been weapons of offense and defense during our period of existence.

Ephesians 6:17

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Foreword

At this moment in history, we the members of the First Christian Reformed Church, cannot help but rejoice that the sustaining hand of **Our Blessed God and Father** has been with us throughout the past one hundred years of our existence.

As we look back over these years, we recognize **God's Unfailing Goodness, Love and Mercy** in dealing so graciously with this small segment of the church of Jesus Christ.

We are grateful beyond measure for devoted pastors, elders, deacons, teachers and members who have labored so sacrificially by **Word and Spirit** to add to the church such as shall one day make up the completed body of **Jesus Christ.**

Those of our number who have gone before have left us a **Most Precious Legacy** which we dare not and may not forfeit or misuse. Trusteeship has become ours both by assignment and choice. As trustees we **Own Nothing** yet we hold in our possession Jesus' last will and declaration in the form of the **Great Commission** to make disciples of all nations. The execution of this **Divine Mandate** has been entrusted to us, the militant church, as a solemn and sacred duty. In this we must not fail.

Therefore, as we look ahead, may God help us, one and all, to unitedly and enthusiastically rededicate ourselves to a life in the **Master's Service,** confident that He will be true to His own promise when He said, **"And, lo, I am with you alway even to the end of the world."**

Gerrit Veenboer

CENTENNIAL MESSAGE

Psalm 77:10(b) — "I will remember the years of the right hand of the Most High."

Just one hundred years ago a small band of men and women whose hearts were filled with love for God's truth and for His Kingdom united themselves together as a new congregation of Christ's church and thus brought the First Christian Reformed Church of Zeeland into existence. God has blessed this congregation richly throughout this first century of its existence. It has prospered. God's Word has been faithfully proclaimed from its pulpit. Countless sons and daughters have been brought unto the light in its midst. Many prayers and sacrificial gifts have been offered so that the gospel might be proclaimed to the ends of the earth. Although the pressure of Satan's Kingdom has been felt, and there have been many struggles, the Lord has sustained and nutured the vine which He planted. On this occasion it is fitting and proper that we stop to think of the blessings which God has granted and give Him praise for them. We echo the sentiment of the psalmist who said: "I will remember the years of the right hand of the Most High."

This psalm was written at a time at which the psalmist was greatly troubled. He was troubled because he could not understand the methods of God's providence. In this situation he determined that he would remember the past years in which Jehovah had given such abundant blessings. When he did that he was comforted. Surely it is always a blessed thing for us to remember God's great deeds and the faithfulness which He has displayed through them.

The psalmist uses an interesting expression. He speaks of "the years of the right hand of the Most High." The right hand is the symbol of power. It is by the right hand that most men do their work. So when we speak of God's right hand, we think of the power with which God accomplishes His purposes, redeems and blesses His children, strengthens them and often delivers them. And so the psalmist purposed to call to mind the years in which God by His power and in His grace had led and directed his way and so abundantly blessed him. As he remembered those past years, he called to mind the great deeds of Jehovah, the wonders which Jehovah had accomplished. The thing which especially impressed itself on the mind of the psalmist in regard to those years was not what he himself had been able to do, but rather what God had accomplished through him and for him. As he thought of these things he was moved to exclaim: "Who is a great God like unto God?" There was deeply impressed upon his mind a realization of the greatness of Jehovah. And how blessed it was for him to call to mind the years in which God had so richly blessed him. He was given greater courage and hope thereby.

These one hundred years of the history of the First Christian Reformed Church of Zeeland have been for the congregation "years of the right hand of the Most High." How rich have been the blessings which have been received from the hand of God. The Lord has prospered the congregation richly. Not only have many gifts of His grace been given to it, but also it has been privileged to be of great service in His Kingdom. The blessing of being able to serve is a very great blessing. As we think of these years we should be reminded primarily not of what man has done, but rather of what God has done through us and for us. And as we see the great deeds of Jehovah wrought on our behalf, we like the psalmist should be moved to exclaim: "Who is a great God like our God?" The thought which should be supremely in our minds throughout this centennial commemoration should be that of the greatness of our God who has done so much for us. It is only by the great power of our sovereign, covenant God that the militant church is able to remain faithful to its Lord and to carry out its task in this world.

We read in the third chapter of the book of Malachi of an occasion on which God's people spoke with one another of the faithfulness of God and called to mind the blessings which God had given. We are told that God then caused to be written before Him a book of remembrance for them that feared Jehovah. It was a book written for the purpose of reminding God of the faithfulness of those who diligently served Him. But it is also good for us to have our books of remembrance, books in which we are reminded of the faithfulness of God in blessing us throughout the years. May this book commemorating this centennial be a means which better enables us to remember the faithfulness of God and the greatness of God in prospering the congregation throughout these years. May each of us be moved to say: "I will remember the years of the right hand of the Most High."

Rev. A. E. Rozendal

BLESS THIS HOUSE

Bless this house, O Lord we pray,
Make it safe by night and day;
Bless these walls, so firm and stout
Keeping want and trouble out;
Bless the roof and chimneys tall,
Let Thy peace lie over all
Bless this door, that it may prove
Ever open to joy and love.

Bless these windows shining bright,
Letting in God's heav'nly light;
Bless the hearth a blazing there,
With smoke ascending like a prayer;
Bless the folk who dwell within,
Keep them pure and free from sin;
Bless us all that we may be
Fit, O Lord, to dwell with Thee,
Bless us all that one day we
May dwell, O Lord, with Thee.

Helen Taylor

I love thy Church, O God:
Her walls before Thee stand,
Dear as the apple of Thine eye,
And graven on Thy hand.
For her my tears shall fall,
For her my prayers ascend;
To her my cares and toils be giv'n,
Till toils and cares shall end.

CHURCH AUDITORIUM

So we thy people and sheep of thy pasture will give thee thanks forever; we will show forth thy praise to all generations.

Psalm 79:13

PULPIT

But the word of the Lord endureth for ever.
And this is the word which by the gospel
is preached unto you.

1 Peter 1:25

BAPTISMAL FOUNT

Buried with Him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised Him from the dead.

Colossians 2:12

COMMUNION TABLE

Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body. And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of it.

Matthew 26:26, 27

SHORT HISTORY ON THE BUILDING OF THE CHURCH

The new church edifice was dedicated on September 11, 1951. Already, some twenty five years before, the need for new church facilities was becoming evident. It was, therefore, a joyous occasion for the people of Zeeland I to discover that their fond hopes and anticipations had finally become a reality.

On the night of dedication a capacity audience of appreciative people gathered for an appropriate dedicatory service. Our pastor, Rev. D. D. Bonnema, was in charge of the service. Rev. R. Wildschut, son of the church, delivered the Dedication sermon, speaking on the topic "Building Better Bethels." Rev. D. D. Bonnema led us in the dedicatory prayer. Rev. H. Ver Duin represented Classis Zeeland. Mr. N. Frankena, chairman of the building committee, presented the keys to Rev. D. D. Bonnema, president of the Church Council. Mr. B. Sharpe sang "Open the Gates of the Temple." Miss Harriet Gruppen (now Mrs. A. Spek) had the honor of being the first to perform publicly on the new organ. The newly organized church choir made its debut at this service. A building dedicated to the service and glory of God was the central theme throughout the entire program.

The spacious auditorium (60' x 90'), simple, yet dignified in architecture, has served us now most acceptably for more than ten years. A survey by an acoustical engineer revealed that for speaking the auditorium is almost perfect. The church has a seating capacity of 1020.

In the church bulletin of September 4, 1955, less than four years from the above dedication date, the Congregation might read the good news that the church was debt free.

Building Committee consisted of the following members:

Ben Otting	Henry Van Gelderen
Ben Vander Hulst	Henry Boerman
N. A. Frankena, president	Gerrit Veenboer, secretary
Rev. D. D. Bonnema	Lambert Bloemsma
Herman Ten Broeke	Henry Van Noord
Peter De Kock	Albert Ter Haar

A CENTURY OF BLESSINGS

Rev. L. Oostendorp

The First Christian Reformed Church of Zeeland came into being fifteen years after the "Pilgrims of the West" founded their colony in Western Michigan. Three hundred souls crossed the Atlantic in three ships under the leadership of Rev. C. Vander Meulen and J. Van Der Luyster to found the City of Zeeland. Although they were devoted to the Reformed Faith, there had come a division among them regarding the union with the Dutch Reformed Church. The whole colony in Michigan wanted earnestly to maintain the restored and revived Calvinistic convictions for which many of them had suffered in the Secession of 1834 from the Hervormde Church in the Netherlands. By 1857 two ministers and four churches were convinced, however, that to insure the continuation of the spirit and practices of the Secession, a break with the Dutch Reformed Church in the Eastern part of the United States was unavoidable. Some had indeed hoped that all of the churches in the Michigan colony would take this step. However, only a small group consisting of Graafschap, Grand Rapids, Polktown and Noordeloos decided to form the Christian Reformed Church.

Noordeloos, under Rev. K. Vanden Bosch, was to become the mother of the First Christian Reformed Church of Zeeland. In fact, there were members of Noordeloos living near Zeeland, and still others who wished to take the stand of the Christian Reformed Church who joined the Congregation. Soon a kind of branch group was meeting in a block-house with Jan Rabbers as lay leader by the fall of 1857. Twice every Sunday about 20 persons, all members of the Noordeloos Congregation, met and listened to the reading of a sermon.

By December 16, 1858 the group felt that it should be organized as a Zeeland congregation. This request the Noordeloos Consistory refused. It soon became evident, however, that the Noordeloos church building was no longer in the center of the congregation. Upon request of the Zeeland members, a meeting was held January 23, 1861 to determine where the church should be located. It was then decided to also have a building in Zeeland. Shortly afterwards the group in Zeeland was organized. The document of organization was signed by Rev. K. Vanden Bosch, who continued as preacher of both groups; as well as by Evert Everts, H. Marling, Evert Zagers, P. Vanden Bosch, G. E. I. Ham, A. Vanden Bosch, I. Vanden Bosch, H. Vanden Bosch, G. Kuipers, Jan Ebels, J. Herweyer, D. Veeren, Jan Scholten and Harm Ratering. The law of the state demanded a board of trustees. The following acted as trustees: T. Vanden Bosch, P. Vanden Bosch, J. Ebels, Derk Veeren, Evert Everts, and H. Marling.

Thus, April 1, 1862 became the birthday of the congregation. Soon irregularity in the organization was to cause trouble with Rev. Vanden Bosch. Some members were not too pleased with the arrangement. The Dominee was also helping the vacant churches, besides serving Noordeloos and Zeeland and doing a little farming on the side. Zeeland wished to call a minister, but Vanden Bosch said, "I am your minister." The case was brought to Classis at Graafschap October 12, 1864. The Classis declared "the Consistory of Zeeland and Rev. Vanden Bosch are thus far not lawfully and formally bounded together or organized." A new Consistory was elected on October 18, 1864, consisting of Gerrit Kuipers, Roelof Brinks, Jan Ebels and Jacob DeKoster as elders; and Hendrik de Groot and Evert Zagers as deacons. This reorganization shows the remarkable influence of Rev. D. Vander Werp who had just come from the Netherlands to serve the Graafschap Congregation. He was much stronger on Church Order than Vanden Bosch and served with a Committee of Classis to straighten things out at Zeeland. Vanden Bosch continued to preach one Sunday in a month and to teach catechism classes until August 1867.

A small church had been built on Main Street, a house was purchased for $650.00 and the struggling congregation paid 7% and 7½% on short term loans to hold its property. The fourth call for a minister was made in February 1870. The Rev. J. Stadt, one of Vander Werp's "students in the parsonage" accepted the call and was installed by the moderator, W. H. Frieling, March 27, 1870. The congregation had difficulty paying his salary of $600.00 per year and bitter trouble arose electing new consistory members. After two years, Stadt left for Cleveland West.

At this time Noordeloos was also vacant. Times were hard in the depression of 1873 and it was decided to call one minister for the congregations together. This agreement was again changed after four fruitless calls. Meanwhile the Zeeland Congregation had been strengthened by many members from the First Old School Presbyterian Church of Zeeland. This church had been formed in 1863 by dissatisfied members of the Dutch Reformed Church and at one time had almost one hundred families. Since the majority of the members wanted to go to the Christian Reformed Church and since the Christian Reformed needed a bigger building, the Presbyterians sold their church to them for $750.00.

Meanwhile a new parsonage was built for the new minister, Rev. W. Coeling, who was installed December 6, 1874. During his ministry there were many confessions of faith and a remarkable

growth. He took the initiative to have the congregation overture the Synod to call Rev. Boer as Professor of Theology rather than someone from the Netherlands. Also at this time the congregation offered its church or even a new building for the Theological School if it would be located in Zeeland.

The next minister was the Candidate G. Hoeksema. Now the growth required a new church. It was 44 feet wide, 66 feet long and 22 feet high. This was the front of the old church which stood where the new one is today. Hoeksema came in 1877 and left for Holland November 1879.

Now came a long and eventful vacancy. Thirteen calls were extended. Another attempt was made to bring the theological school to Zeeland. The legal incorporation was changed to fit the new laws of Michigan. Perhaps more significant, a goodly number of members from the Dutch Reformed Church joined the congregation because of that denomination's weak stand against the Masonic Lodge. The number would have been greater except for some misunderstandings and rather stern dealings with a group that wished to join in February 1882. In fact, sixty-four persons who had separated from the Reformed Church asked to affiliate with the congregation. A mutually acceptable way of joining could not be worked out, and the group formed an independent congregation which soon afterwards became North Street Christian Reformed Church.

The three-year vacancy ended with the coming of Rev. L. Rietdyk in December 1882. In his ministry the Sunday School, which "he had found helpful in Paterson" was introduced. Rietdyk was followed by the genial J. Keizer (1887-1890). The next pastor was Candidate J. Groen who served for nine eventful years (1891-1900). As the congregation was approaching the turn of the century, it had reached the size of a large church. New ways and organizations appeared. An organ was installed to lead the singing. The young men's society was organized. The church building had to be enlarged.

Again the congregation called a Candidate and G. J. Haan became its minister for four fruitful years (1902-1906). During the ministry of Rev. W .D. Vander Werp, who labored here from 1906-1911, the present parsonage was built.

The next pastor, Rev. D. R. Drukker (1911-1914) came in April 1911. He was instrumental not only in the organization of an English speaking daughter church, Zeeland III, but was later to be the pastor of the daughter church for several years. In May 1913 the Consistory met with the North Street Consistory to talk about English in the evening services. The vote was 11 to 11 and nothing was done. Soon afterward, August 26, 1913 John Shoemaker and Gerrit Vredeveld came to the Consistory and informed them that 38 families and 24 individuals were forming an English-speaking church. In March 1914 the Third Christian Reformed Church was organized and the mother gave $2000 to help the daughter. The first communion of Zeeland III was celebrated together with First Church and a request was made to work together for an evening service. Other things were changing, too. The elders no longer stood up during the long prayer.

The language question was to continue for some time. On April 6, 1914 the congregation decided to have alternately two English and two Dutch services. Later combined English evening services were held with North Street for a time. As the English gained strength, the arrangement for many years was for First to have a morning Holland service and North Street an afternoon Holland service. As late as 1941 several fruitless efforts were made to have English in the morning, but at last the change was made and the Holland service became smaller. It is remarkable that the language of the fathers lasted as long as it did. The last Holland service was held December 27, 1953.

With the next minister, another forward step was to be made. It was at the beginning of Rev. M. Van Vessem's ministry (1915-1926) that the Christian School was organized. At the Consistory meeting March 8 the pastor and elder Buter were delegated to a meeting of the Society of Christian Instruction with the mandate to urge them to organize a school as soon as possible and to promise the moral support of the Consistory. Already in 1876 there had been talk of the need of a "Hollandsche School" and elders had consulted with the Dutch Reformed Church about it. Nothing came of the Christian school until September 1915 when the present school opened its doors. This was indeed a wonderful forward step and the school has proven a great blessing.

At the same time further interest was demonstrated in missions especially in the call of Candidate H. Heyns for the Indian mission. Candidate Heyns was the first missionary ordained in the First Church. This took place August 18, 1915. Since then the congregation has shown its interest in classical evangelism, home missions and the foreign field.

The Rev. William Kok was installed by Rev. H. E. Oostendorp April 29, 1927. The musical talents of the Pastor soon began to reflect themselves in a Choral Society, Robed Choir, Girls' Glee Club, and Church Band. These were all directed by Rev. Kok. Several societies were also organized. The moral and financial support of the Christian School was increased, and a Supplementary Fund for needy parents was established July 1939.

It was at this time that the Chapel was built. The Congregation decided the matter December 10, 1934 and by October 24, 1935 the Chapel was dedicated. In 1930 a library was started, which still serves the congregation. The Rev. Kok became assistant to the President of Calvin College in July 1940. He is at present teaching Bible at the South Christian High School.

At the Congregational meeting November 14, 1940 the pastor-elect, Rev. Bonnema, handed the clerk a letter. It was his acceptance of the call. Thus began a period of eleven years of service. In this period, many boys were in the service of their country. One notices a greater interest in national and world events than before. A collection for the Netherlands and Belgium Red Cross was taken June 1940. The problem of Sunday labor because of the war, had to be faced. Special notice was taken July 8, 1943 of the fact that one of the sons of the church, Ralph Wildschut, was studying for the ministry and he was given $50 instead of the usual $10 for preaching. On December 25, 1943 a special Church Council meeting granted the minister three months leave of absence to work as service pastor in Alexandria, Louisiana.

Mission interest was shown at this time by the Congregational meeting which met on December 10, 1945 and unanimously decided to support Miss Lenora Vander Veer at Zuni.

The time had come, moreover, for a fourth church in Zeeland. On December 20, 1949 Mr. John Gras presented to the Consistory a list of names of those who wished to organize a new church. The request of the group was granted and soon after this Bethel Christian Reformed Church was founded. The mother church approved a gift of $10,000 for the newly organized church. Meanwhile, plans for a new church building had progressed to the point of arranging for loans. Arrangements were made to meet in the Third Church while the building was being constructed. The evidence of a friendly spirit between mother and daughter churches is found in the fact that while the mother sent Third Church $500 for the ten months, the daughter promptly returned $250.

September of 1951 was a very happy month for the Congregation. Our beautiful new church was dedicated for God's service on September 11. Thus a program of building which had its beginnings already in 1928, when a special building fund was started for the chapel, came to its completion. The church itself cost over $224,000.00. The Rev. Bonnema led the solemn service of dedication, while a son of the congregation, the Rev. Ralph Wildschut appropriately preached the sermon on "Building Better Bethels." The following evening a service of fellowship was held, and on the 13th, the new organ was dedicated. As we look back at the first humble buildings, we cannot help but see the wonderful blessing of God also in the outward growth and progress.

Shortly after the dedication of the new church, Rev. Bonnema accepted a call to Hospers, Iowa. Several calls were sent out during the vacancy. At the congregational meeting of June 2, 1952 the Rev. Anthony Rozendal was elected and in August he came to begin his labors. For nine years he might continue his fruitful service.

Although he was appreciated and loved by the congregation, Rev. Rozendal felt called of God to the Third Christian Reformed Church of Paterson.

The last decade has indeed been marked by stability rather than by major projects. There have, however, been signs of the changing times — air-conditioning in the church, seven o'clock services, the last of the Dutch services with the end of 1953, the organization of a Mr. and Mrs. Club, the organization of the Calvinist Cadets and Calvinettes. There were also changes of personnel. Miss Gertrude Oranje at Rehoboth and Miss Gertrude Van Haitsma in Nigeria were now the missionaries supported by the congregation and Sunday School. On October 15, 1957 we assumed partial support of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bergsma. They are presently laboring in Lupwe, North Nigeria, West Africa. They are connected with the educational phase of our mission program. The latest missionary project is the support of Mr. and Mrs. Corwin Brummel. He has been assigned to the Teec Nos Pos Mission in Arizona. The congregation met on the evening of August 22, 1961 to bid them farewell and to covet God's blessing on his work.

Thus the older generation was passing and new men were taking over. In June of 1958 an emeritus minister, Dr. John Medendorp, was engaged to help the pastor in his many tasks. His work has been much appreciated. May the Lord continue to give him strength to perform these helpful services.

We notice, too, the development of ever wider denominational interests with the passing years. At first the congregation needed almost every cent for its own survival. There were few causes requiring support. Gradually more and more mission, educational, and charitable needs arose, and with the needs God gave the means and the willingness. This too has been a great blessing for the congregation. We might thus become a blessing to others and faithful supporters of the Kingdom of Christ.

Indeed we may say our congregation has enjoyed a Century of Blessings. The Lord has caused us to grow from a small and weak beginning. He has given us faithful ministers and a host of consecrated elders and deacons. Not only has his Word borne fruit unto salvation, but we might also be used for helping to build His Kingdom. Much patient discipline has been exercised. This, too, the Lord often blessed by restoring the wandering ones. Some have caused sadness by departing from the way. Our work was done in weakness, and no glory would we claim. To God alone be the Glory.

MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

Our membership statistics as recorded in the Christian Reformed Church Yearbooks from 1881 when the Yearbook first published them.

The council (elders, deacons and minister) was first published in 1910 so we have included this information from that time.

Each year is as of January 1.

Year	Families	Communicant Members	Total Souls	Council
From 1862 to 1882 statistics are not available.				
1882	84	159	404	
1883	117	223	550	
1884	120	218	550	
1885	120	218	550	
1886	120	218	550	
1887	125	230	570	
25TH ANNIVERSARY				
1888	120	200	560	
1889	150	250	650	
1890	130	220	600	
1891	130	200	700	
1892	130	200	600	
1893	160	283	650	
1894	165	300	700	
1895	165	300	700	
1896	165	300	700	
1897	170	300	760	
1898	175	300	820	
1899	175	300	820	
1900	175	300	820	
1901	180	315	815	
1902	185	320	825	
1903	190	325	850	
1904	209	358	931	
1905	196	356	1054	
1906	200	356	973	
1907	219	376	1026	
1908	230	400	1100	
1909	235	460	1150	
1910	240	470	1165	14
1911	245	477	1175	14
1912	250	485	1200	14
50TH ANNIVERSARY				
1913	270	495	1225	14
1914	280	500	1300	15
1915	265	450	1200	13
1916	272	495	1190	14
1917	280	530	1190	14
1918	285	520	1200	14
1919	290	525	1200	14
1920	265	535	1100	14
1921	265	533	1070	14
1922	267	540	1080	15
1923	280	580	1163	15
1924	285	610	1194	14
1925	285	625	1200	14
1926	285	600	1175	16
1927	285	625	1200	16
1928	290	635	1220	17
1929	290	635	1230	17
1930	300	643	1230	19
1931	300	673	1221	19
1932	300	638	1203	19
1933	285	633	1198	19
1934	274	637	1180	20
1935	274	635	1181	21
1936	274	632	1155	21
1937	270	651	1151	21
75TH ANNIVERSARY				
1938	278	665	1204	21
1939	270	680	1194	21
1940	270	685	1204	21
1941	274	648	1161	20
1942	275	674	1196	21
1943	285	711	1236	20
1944	295	722	1272	20
1945	300	741	1288	21
1946	310	737	1294	21
1947	325	767	1343	21
1948	335	800	1359	21
1949	335	809	1348	21
1950	285	688	1105	21
1951	285	681	1090	23
1952	287	685	1112	23
1953	293	684	1148	23
1954	284	668	1137	23
1955	290	674	1124	23
1956	292	680	1093	23
1957	286	686	1095	23
1958	282	679	1106	23
1959	278	683	1114	23
1960	280	693	1120	23
1961	274	691	1113	23
1962	275	677	1109	23

EXCERPTS TAKEN FROM THE MINUTES OF THE FIRST CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

Compiled by James J. Sturing

May 20, 1865 — It was reported that the church auditorium was cleaned by some women of the congregation with the help of some young people and that the expense incurred was $.43 for miscellaneous articles which the clerk did not deem necessary to itemize, whereupon the Consistory instructed the clerk to furnish an itemized report.

March 31, 1873 — Decided that the salary of the pastor be $600.00 per year.

Decided to build a small barn on the church property.

Decided to purchase the old Presbyterian Church building and an acre of land for the sum of $750.00.

Decided to sell the old Church building for $600.00.

Art. 3, 1873 — Decided to award the contract for the labor of building of a parsonage for the sum of $145.00.

Dec. 1, 1889 — Decided to appoint a committee to have two brethren come to an agreement which arose between them concerning some cord wood.

Decided to have the names of contributors to the general fund and the amount given towards the general fund at congregational meeting.

Feb. 21, 1882 — Decided to appoint Mr. Roelof Ten Have as "voor zinger."

Aug. 1, 1882 — To announce to the congregation that the men should refrain to occupy the seats at divine worship designated for the women.

Decided to receive bids to furnish cord wood for the church to be 30 inches long and ten cords of 20 inches long.

Jan. 24, 1889 — Decided to increase the Janitor's salary from $46.00 to $50.00 per year.

Art. 18, 1882 — Decided to purchase white curtains for the windows instead of green ones because the green ones would lose color too soon.

Sept. 20, 1886 — Decided to instruct the building committee to install lamps by the pulpit and to use their own discretion.

Sept. 5, 1891 — Decided to use the material for the Sunday School lessons as it was outlined for that purpose in the Wachter.

Dec. 31, 1891 — Decided that the Sunday School although under the supervision of the Consistory become an organization and conduct its own business.

Sept. 24, 1903 — Decided at congregational meeting to enlarge the consistory room and purchase new pews for the Church auditorium.

Sept. 8, 1903 — Decided to abide by the decision of Synod that only those parents or at least one of the parents who were confessing members be permitted to present their children for baptism.

Nov. 28, 1907 — At the congregational meeting it was decided to build a new parsonage for the sum of $3,500.00.

May 16, 1910 — Decided that the Sunday School as a whole be responsible for the financial support of an Indian child.

June 19, 1911 — At the congregational meeting it was decided to enlarge the gallery.

Nov. 27, 1911 — Decided that in the future the pastor announce the first number to be sung by the congregation whereas this was formerly done by an elder.

Dec. 12, 1911 — Decided to celebrate the Fiftieth Anniversary of our congregation. Committee appointed: Rev. D. R. Drukker, William Baarman, and Johannes Mulder .

Feb. 12, 1912 — Decided to pay the salary of Miss Mary Styf missionary on the Indian Mission Field.

March 8, 1915 — Decided that the consistory meeting be held on the first Monday of the month for transaction of general business and on the third Monday of the month to transact business pertaining to discipline matters. And that the deacons meet separately for the transaction of their business and that either the pastor or an elder be present.

Decided to appoint a committee of two to meet with the society of Christian Education to urge them to build a Christian School as soon as possible. Committee appointed: Rev. M. Van Vessum and Elder J. H. Buter.

Oct. 4, 1915 — Decided to announce to the congregation that a Men's Society is to be organized.

Dec. 11, 1916 — At the congregational meeting it was decided to adopt the Budget System which is to include the following causes: Calvin College and Seminary, Emeritus Fund, Church Fund, Pastor's Salary.

Compulsory retirement of consistory members.

Dec. 11, 1918 — Decided to move the old chapel and to add an addition to it.

Sept. 22, 1919 — Decided to conduct the catechism classes of Saturday morning and Tuesday evening in the American language.

Dec. 8, 1919 — Decided at the congregational meeting to conduct the evening service in the American language.

March 10, 1920 — It was decided to erect horse stables.

June 4, 1923 — At the congregational meeting it was decided to adopt the proposal of the consistory to make a change in our worship service that the morning service be conducted in the Holland language and the afternoon service in the American language and the evening service be one evening in the Holland language and the other evening in the American language.

Oct. 5, 1925 — At the consistory meeting it was decided that the term of consistory members be three years instead of two years.

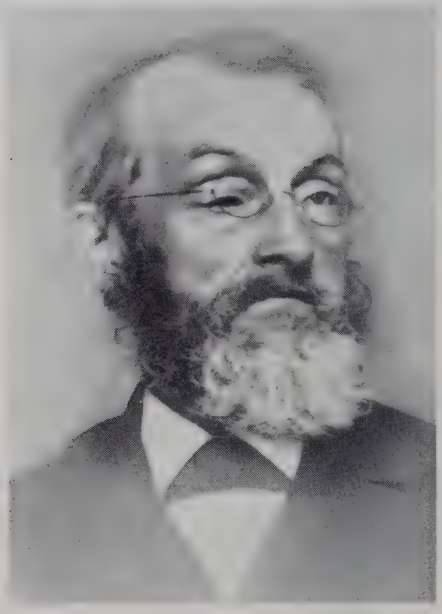
June 6, 1927 — Decided to weekly printed bulletins.

Dec. 10, 1928 — Decided to grant the consistory permission to sell the horse stables.

Oct. 31, 1930 — The chorale society offers to place another pipe organ in the church auditorium which was gratefully accepted.

FORMER MINISTERS

REV. K. VAN DEN BOSCH



REV. J. STADT
1870 - 1872

REV. W. COELINGH
1874 - 1877

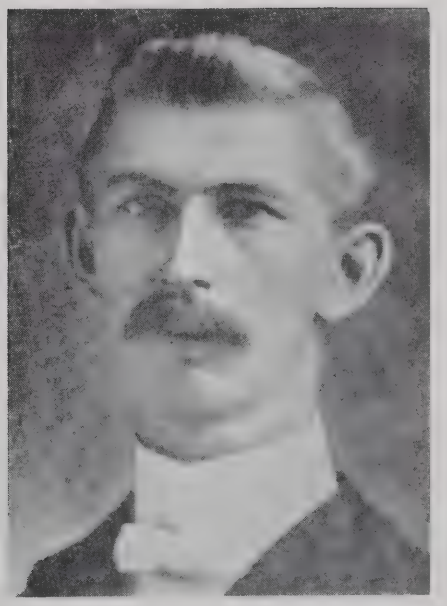
REV. G. HOEKSEMA
1877 - 1879

FORMER MINISTERS

REV. L. RIETDIJK
1882 - 1886

REV. J. KEIZER
1887 - 1890

REV. J. GROEN
1891 - 1900



REV. G. J. HAAN
1903 - 1906

FORMER MINISTERS

REV. W. D. VAN DER WERP
1906 - 1911

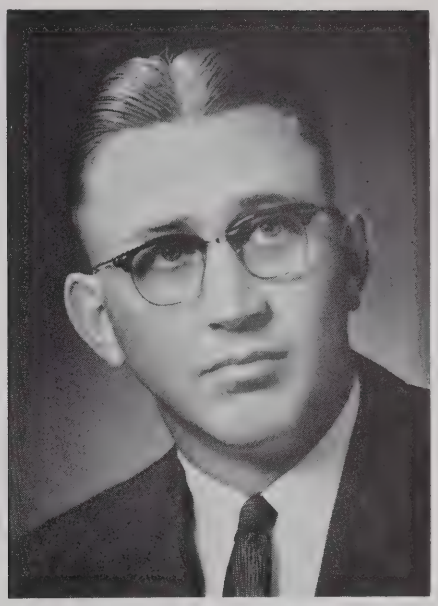
REV. D. R. DRUKKER
1911 - 1914

REV. M. VAN VESSEM
1915 - 1926

REV. W. KOK
1927 - 1940

FORMER MINISTERS

REV. D. D. BONNEMA
1941 - 1951



REV. A. E. ROZENDAL
1952 - 1961

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace, that bringeth good tidings of good, that publisheth salvation, that saith unto Zion, Thy God reigneth! The voice of thy watchmen! they lift up the voice, together do they sing; for they shall see eye to eye, when Jehovah returneth to Zion.

Isaiah 52: 7, 8

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures; he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his names sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Psalm 23

SONS OF THE CHURCH WHO HAVE SERVED IN THE MINISTRY

REV. P. W. DE JONGE

REV. R. WILDSCHUT

SPEED THY SERVANTS, SAVIOR, SPEED THEM

Speed Thy servants, Savior, speed them
Thou art Lord of winds and waves,
They were bound, but Thou has freed them;
Now they go to free the slaves.
Be Thou with them, 'Tis Thine arm alone that saves.

Friends and home and all forsaking,
Lord, they go at Thy command;
As their stay Thy promise taking,
While they traverse sea and land;
O be with them: Lead them safely by the hand.

When no fruit appears to cheer them
And they seem to toil in vain,
Then in mercy, Lord, draw near them,
Then their sinking hopes sustain;
Thus supported, Let their zeal revive again.

In the midst of opposition
Let them trust, O Lord in Thee;
When success attends their mission,
Let Thy servants humblest be.
Never leave them, Till Thy face in heaven they see.

OUR MISSIONARIES

MR. AND MRS. HAROLD BERGSMA AND FAMILY
LEFT TO RIGHT — Mrs. Harold Bergsma, Danny, Mark, Rachael, Mr. Harold Bergsma.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bergsma began their missionary service in November of 1955. They were appointed at that time to serve in Nigeria as educational missionaries.

Soon after arrival the Bergsmas moved with their infant son Mark into Tiv Lodge and began five months of language training with Rev. P. Ipema. Upon completion of this training Mr. Bergsma began teaching in the Senior Primary School at Zaki Biam. After one term of teaching at Zaki Biam, they felt the need to help in our missionary children's school at Hillcrest. Again they moved and spent about three months at Jos at Hillcrest School, teaching and helping as house parents.

Their final placement was at Kunav Senior Primary School. Here the Bergsma family worked for the rest of their term teaching boys and girls in the Senior Primary School and giving able assistance in getting the school established and functioning smoothly.

After a six month furlough, during which Mr. Bergsma began studies in Graduate school, the Bergsma family returned to Kunav. During the year of 1959 they continued their work at the Senior Primary School. Then toward the end of the year approval was given for the opening of a secondary school and Mr. Bergsma was given the job of opening and setting up this school.

The school opened its doors on February 15, 1960 with 30 boys. These students were selected on the basis of an entrance examination and private interviews. Presently, the student body is composed of 60 boys. The curriculum of the school compares favorably with those you find in small high schools in the states. Attempts will be made to further develop and expand the educational program for the Nigerian Christians. The spiritual and mental progress among the students is very encouraging.

MR. AND MRS. CORWIN BRUMMEL AND FAMILY
LEFT TO RIGHT — Mrs. Corwin Brummel, Alan Dale, Valerie Joy, Debra Lynn, Patricia Ann, Mr. Corwin Brummel.

Our Church is indeed happy that the Teec Nos Pos Mission of Arizona is represented by Mr. and Mrs. C. Brummel, a family of the church.

On the day following the congregational farewell, the Brummel family, which includes four children, left by car for their new field of labor.

Our church acknowledges the courage shown by the Brummels to meet the challenges of such an admittedly difficult field. Nevertheless, when God's servants feel His divine summons, they recognize that the proclamation of the gospel is God's plan for the ages. The orders are His. The program is His. The message is His and the command is His, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature."

OUR MISSIONARIES

MISS GERTRUDE
VAN HAITSMA

Gertrude Van Haitsma began her missionary service on the Indian field in August 1946. There she taught Navajo children in grades 1 and 2 in the Rehoboth Mission School. In August 1953 she was transferred to the Skeet School, a small mission school built by the Navajoes of that community. Children of grades kindergarten through sixth attended that school. But in May 1959 that school closed because there were not enough school-age children living within walking distance of the school.

Then Gertrude was asked to fill a need on our Nigerian mission field. She left in July 1959 to help out at Hillcrest School during the furlough of Miss Elsie Vanderbrug and was later to teach in a school for Africans. However, by the time Miss Vanderbrug returned there was need for an additional teacher so Gertrude stayed on at Hillcrest. This is a school in Jos, Nigeria whose primary purpose is to educate missionary children. Several missions cooperated in this effort by providing personnel and financial support. Gertrude helps to fulfill our mission's responsibility by teaching third grade there.

FAR AND NEAR THE FIELDS ARE TEEMING

Far and near the fields are teeming
With the waves of ripened grain;
Far and near their gold is gleaming
O'er the sunny slope and plain.

Send them forth with morn's first beaming,
Send them in the noon-tide's glare;
When the sun's last rays are gleaming,
Bid them gather everywhere.

Thou whom Christ the Lord is sending,
Gather now the sheaves of gold;
Heaven-ward then at evening wending,
Thou shalt come with joy untold.

Lord of harvest, send forth reapers;
Hear us, Lord, to Thee we cry;
Send them now the sheaves to gather,
Ere the harvest time pass by.

ELDERS

SEATED LEFT TO RIGHT — James J. Sturing, Harold Becksvoort, Bert Brouwer, Henry Van Gelderen, Robert Gort.
STANDING — Peter De Kock, Ben Shoemaker, Leonard Seinen, Cornelius Karsten, Dennis Vanden Heuvel, Walter Van Der Veer, Dick Walters.

The work of the elder is a noble one. It has pleased Christ, the Head of the Church, to charge elders as under shepherds of the flock to watch for their souls. The elder is Christ's representative in the work of governing the Church. Christ has not called them to please the wishes of their constituency; not to please their own personal desires, but they have been called to do the will of Christ.

Therefore, it is imperative that the membership of the congregation at all times show respect, sympathy and tolerance for the elders' labor of love and patience performed in His Master's Name. Our Lord, through the Apostle Paul, esteems the office highly and so should we. "— those who rule well to be counted worthy of double honor."

> "Take heed unto yourselves, and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit hath made you bishops, to feed the church of the Lord which he purchased with His own blood."
>
> Acts 20:28

DEACONS

SEATED LEFT TO RIGHT — Elmer Hoeksema, Henry Van Noord, John Vanden Heuvel, John Masselink.
STANDING — Harvey Geerlings, Dennis Scholten, Ralph Visser, Jason De Kock, Harold Boss, John Klingenberg.

It is praise-worthy that the members of the church of Jesus Christ are willing to share each other's burdens. The apostles already at the beginning were aware of their responsibility in this matter and upon their advice, men were chosen whose special work it would be to take care of the poor. Today, entrusted with this sacred portion of God's kingdom are the deacons, humble servants, who work quietly, yet efficiently, to provide and distribute gifts to those in distress.

Their task is not the simple, mechanical act of giving assistance but along with the giving hand must go the giving heart which expresses itself in words of cheer, consolation and Christian comfort. Both the family and the individual are of supreme concern to them in their ministry of Christian mercy.

The deacons are thankful to the congregation for the offerings that have always been cheerfully and liberally given so that it can be said that throughout the long history of our church, not one of our people has ever been left in want.

The Master considers that acts of mercy done to our brethren as done unto Him — "For I was hungry, and ye gave me to eat; I was thirsty, and ye gave me to drink; I was a stranger, and ye took me in; naked, and ye clothed me; I was sick, and ye visited me; I was in prison, and ye came unto me."

EX-ELDERS AND EX-DEACONS

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — John Lokers, Ben Vander Hulst, James Morren, Cornelius Shoemaker, Albert Vander Hulst, Dick Huizenga, Leonard Vander Veer.
SECOND ROW — John Wabeke, Peter Nykamp, Simon Boschma, William Blacquiere, Nick Nykamp, Peter Lookerse, Martin Hieftje, Milton Roelofs.
THIRD ROW — Willard De Vries, Donald Van Dragt, Herman Gruppen, Richard Brummel, Martin Geerlings, Foster Nykamp, William Gruppen.
FOURTH ROW — Gelmer Ter Haar, Dennis Walters, Gerrit Veenboer, Lloyd De Kock, Harold De Koster, William Vanden Bosch.
ABSENT — Harold Klynstra.

ELDERS AND DEACONS SHORTLY AFTER 50th ANNIVERSARY

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Henry P. Karsten, Jacob Morren, Simon Wierda, Rev. D. R. Drukker, Henry J. Buter, Johannes Mulder, Henry Gosselaar.
SECOND ROW — William Baarman, John W. Staal, Richard Nykamp, Albert Ter Haar, Johannes Jansen, John Meyering Peter Bloemsma, John Vereeke, James Kossen.

ELDERS AT THE TIME OF THE 75th ANNIVERSARY

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Bert Sturing, Peter Baarman, Rev. Wm. Kok, Gerrit Van Koevering, William Gras.
SECOND ROW — Jacob Buter, Otto Van Der Plaats, Robert Pool, Henry Van Gelderen, Bert H. Brouwer, Dick Huizenga.

DEACONS AT THE TIME OF THE 75th ANNIVERSARY

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Martin Geerlings, Cyrus Van Haitsma, John J. Lokers, Peter Lookerse, Leonard Vander Veer.
SECOND ROW — Robert Gort, Albert Vander Hulst, Jr., Jake De Vries, Henry Nykamp.

NAMES OF ELDERS WHO HAVE SERVED IN THE CONSISTORY OF THE FIRST CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH AT ZEELAND, MICH.

Gerrit Kuipers
Roelof Brinks
Jan Ebels
Jacob De Koster
J. Wagenaar
H. Marling
G. De Graaf
J. De Vries
William Ver Hei
J. Vetcher
Henry J. Buter
Fred Westveld
Lucas Vredeveld
Albert Van Der Hulst Sr.
Isaac Ver Lee
Hendrik Gosselaar
Johannes Mulder
Jannes Sturing
Johannes De Vries
O. Holkeboer
Gelmer Van Noord
G. De Vree
G. Schreur
S. Wierda
Henry P. Karsten
William K. Baarman
James Kossen
Gradus Lubbers
Johannes Jansen
Jacob Morren
David Bolier
Jasper Lemson
John G. Van Noord
Peter Bloemsma
Nicholas Frankena
Henry Goodyke Sr.
Klaas Timmerman
Bert Sturing
George H. Kragt
George Lampen
Jacob Buter
Henry J. Geerlings
Peter Baarman
Robert Pool
Otto Van Der Plaats
Peter H. Karsten
Gerrit Van Koevering
Tenius Palmbos
Jacob De Koster Sr.
Bert H. Brouwer
Jannes Morren
Chris Stremler
Peter Van Noord
Dick Huizenga
Henry Van Gelderen
Robert Gort
James J. Sturing
Herman Klanderman
Lester Wyngarden
William Gras
Walter Vander Veer
Frank De Boer
Albert Ter Haar
Albert Vander Hulst Jr.
Peter De Kock
Martin Geerlings
Gelmer Ter Haar
Herman A. Ten Harmsel
John Warner
Leonard Vander Veer
James Morren
Gerrit Veenboer
Cornelius Karsten
Nicholas Nykamp
Cornelius Wittingen
Peter Lookerse
Dick Walters
Ben Shoemaker
Dennis Walters
Willard De Vries
Foster Nykamp
Donald Van Dragt
William Vanden Bosch
Harold Becksvoort
Leonard Seinen
Dennis Vanden Heuvel

Total — 85 Elders

NAMES OF DEACONS WHO HAVE SERVED IN THE COUNCIL OF THE FIRST CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH AT ZEELAND, MICH.

Hendrik De Groot
Evert Zagers
G. Northof
A. De Jager
William Staal
Albert Van Der Hulst Sr.
Roelof Ten Have
J. De Vries
Frank Boonstra
Johannes Mulder
Jannes Sturing
Albert Ensing
Jan Zwiers
Bert Van Loo
William K. Baarman
Simon Wierda
Herman Ensing
Martin J. De Haan
James Kossen
John Vereeke
Albert Ter Haar
John W. Staal
Peter Bloemsma
Johannes Jansen
John Meyering
Richard Nykamp
Albert Holendar
John Van Putten
Charles Van Der Velde
Bert Sturing
Gerrit Northuis
George Kragt
John Joling
Nicholas Beyer
Peter H. Karsten
Henry Van Gelderen
Peter Van Noord
Cornelius Shoemaker
Nicholas Mast
Peter Arends
Nicholas Nykamp
James J. Sturing
Louis Vredeveld
George Lampen
Dick Huizenga
Cornelius Lemson
Arie Arends
William Morren
Martin Geerlings
Benjamin Vander Hulst
John W. Gras
John J. Lokers
Jake De Vries
Gelmer Ter Haar
Eli Zwagerman
Robert Gort
Peter Lookerse
Henry R. Nykamp
Cyrus Van Haitsma
Peter Nykamp
Leonard Vander Veer
Lester Wyngarden
Walter Vander Veer
Albert Vander Hulst Jr.
William Gruppen
John Vanden Heuvel
Henry Petroelje
Eli Nykamp
Simon Kroll
Simon Boschma
Willard De Vries
Martin Schaafsma
Dick E. Walters
Benjamin Shoemaker
Dennis Vander Heuvel
Leonard Seinen
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Harold De Koster
William Vanden Bosch
William Blacquiere
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Henry Van Noord
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John Masselink
Milton D. Roelofs
Donald Van Dragt
Elmer Hoeksema
Harvey Geerlings
Harold Boss
Lloyd De Kock
Dennis Scholten
John Wabeke
Richard Brummel
Harold Klynstra
Martin Hieftje
Jason De Kock
Ralph Visser
John Klingenberg

Total — 98 Deacons

OUR CHURCH RECORDS SHOW THAT THE FOLLOWING FAMILIES HAVE HAD THREE GENERATIONS SERVING IN THE COUNCIL:

Gelmer Van Noord — Father
Peter Van Noord — Son
Henry Van Noord — Grandson

Henry J. Geerlings — Father
Martin Geerlings — Son
Harvey Geerlings — Grandson

FIRST CHURCH AS PICTURED IN THE BANNER OF APRIL 11, 1912

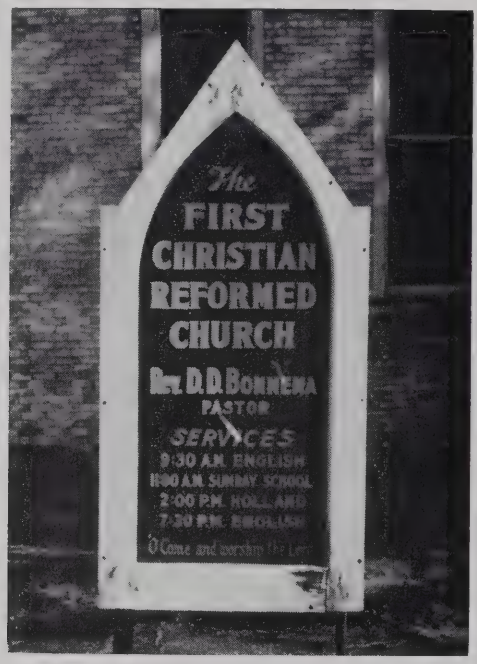
FORMER CHURCH AND PARSONAGE AS PICTURED ON PAGE 115 OF THE CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH YEARBOOK 1906

OUR HOUSE OF WORSHIP FROM 1878 TO FEBRUARY 5, 1950

AUDITORIUM OF THE FORMER CHURCH
(Prior to 1931)

Thy name, O Lord, endureth for ever; and thy memorial, O Lord, throughout all generations. *Psalm 135:13*

THE END OF THE OLD



THE BEGINNING OF THE NEW

OLD CHAPEL

PRESENT CHAPEL

MOTHER CHURCH

NOORDELOOS CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

FIRST DAUGHTER CHURCH

THIRD CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

SECOND DAUGHTER CHURCH

BETHEL CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

PRESENT PARSONAGE

OTTO KAMSTRA

It was on July 23, 1950 that Mr. Otto Kamstra began his duties as custodian of our church. This means that for almost twelve years he has faithfully served us in that capacity.

A church of our size makes many demands on the janitor. Interruptions are many. The church building is often used by a group or a combination of groups who are not directly connected with the regular activities of the church, but who require a spacious auditorium for some special program. The custodian is expected to have everything in readiness and give cheerful assistance to all those who have received authorization to use the building.

The daily cleaning schedule has to be maintained so that on Sunday it will meet the approval of the congregation's scrutinizing eye.

Mr. Kamstra has proven himself to be a faithful servant and has always conducted his work with dignity.

FAREWELL FOR THE ROZENDALS

CONGREGATION AT WORSHIP

THANKSGIVING DAY NOV. 23, 1961

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

NOVEMBER 13, 1961

PICTURE TAKEN AT THE CONGREGATIONAL PICNIC

EELAND CITY PARK – JUNE 29, 1961

MINISTRY OF LOVE

Here we find Dr. J. Medendorp ministering to Mrs. H. Huxtable who has been bed-ridden for ten years. More than that she has been totally blind for the last twelve years. These visits of spiritual refreshing are much appreciated by all our shut-ins.

Dr. Medendorp came to us with many years of ministerial experience. His willingness, coupled with great zeal for kingdom service, has found expression in many areas of our church life. He gives himself unreservedly when and wherever help is requested. The people of Zeeland I have come to think of him as a man fully and wholly dedicated to his calling. Many departments of our church life have found in Dr. Medendorp a ready and willing servant.

OCTOGENARIANS AND NONAGENARIANS

Mrs. Dick R. Boonstra (nee Gertie Kaper)
William Goorman
John Hamer
Mrs. Henry Huxtable (nee Alida Heyboer)
Mrs. Louis Jansen (nee Jennie Haakma)
Mrs. Sam Kolk (nee Fannie Gringhuis)
Mrs. John P. Lookerse (nee Anna Staal)
Mrs. Gradus Lubbers (nee Johanna Lanting)
Mrs. Gerrit Nagelhout (nee Maggie Sturing)
Mrs. Albert Raak (nee Reka Lokers)
Mrs. James Roelofs (nee Abbie Commisaris)
Peter Roels
Mrs. Peter Roels (nee Dena Nagelkerk)
Lambert Sharpe
Mrs. Lambert Sharpe (nee Dena Vugteveen)
Joe Shoemaker
Nicholas Shoemaker
Mrs. Andrew Sneller (nee Alice Berends)
John Stegehuis
Gerrit Sterken
Mrs. John A. Timmer (nee Trina Elgersma)
Mrs. Edward Van Noord (nee Sena Brouwer)
Mrs. Marinus Wabeke (nee Jennie Meyer)
Richard Wierda
Jacob Zwiers

CHOIR

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Mary Nykamp, Evelyn Geerlings, Mrs. Nelson Riemersma, Minnie Langemaat, Mrs. Johannes Spykman, Mary Gruppen, Carol Arendsen, Lois Gruppen, Grace Langemaat, Iris Mast, Marilyn Seinen, Jane Klynstra, Judith Vanden Heuvel.

MIDDLE ROW — Sherman Vander Ark, Director; Frances Riemersma, Sharon Van Rhee, Mrs. Clarence Schaap, Mrs. Sylvan Wassink, Bernice Steenwyk, Carolyn Geerlings, Carol De Koster, Marcia Helder, Mrs. Lloyd De Kock, Mrs. Vernon Volkers, Beth Lokers, Linda Vander Yacht, Glenda Redder, Mary Morren.

TOP ROW — Keith Medendorp, Benjamin Steenwyk, Willard De Vries, Jerry De Koster, John Klingenberg, Harold De Koster, Harold Becksvoort, Cornelius Karsten, James Becksvoort, Roger Westveld, Fred Volkers, Geraldine Wagner, Mrs. Jason De Kock, Mrs. Wendell Bonnema, Mrs. Alvin Wesseldyke, Mrs. Benjamin Steenwyk, Organist.

ABSENT — Mrs. Foster Nykamp, Dr. Paul Davies, Dale Nyboer.

The Choir was organized in the fall of 1951. The Choir's first performance was at the dedication of our new church building.

The Choir started out by singing once a month. Later it was increased to twice per month and presently they sing three times each month.

Since its inception the Choir has been under the direction of the following leaders: B. Sharpe, H. Hoekema, C. Langejans, P. Achterhof, D. Topp, and the present director, S. Vander Ark. At times C. Karsten filled in acceptably. Accompanists were Mrs. A. Spek, Miss Thelma Huizenga, and presently Mrs. B. Steenwyk.

The Lord has blessed the work of the Choir. The purpose of singing praises to God is being achieved. The response to this department of our church has been very gratifying.

Officers: President — Roger Westveld
Vice President — John Klingenberg
Secretary — Geraldine Wagner
Treasurer — Mary Morren
Assistant Secretary-Treasurer — Mrs. Barbara Wesseldyk

ORGANISTS

LEFT TO RIGHT — Mrs. Arie Spek, Mrs. John Rietsma, Mrs. Lloyd De Kock, Mrs. Ben Steenwyk, Choir Organist.

ORGAN

The purchase of the church organ was left in the hands of a Committee of seven people comprising the following: Mr. Peter De Kock, Mr. William Gruppen, Mr. Peter Lookerse, Mrs. John Naberhuis, Mr. Bernard Sharpe, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Vredeveld.

After a great deal of investigation the Shantz organ, made in Orriville, Ohio, was selected. The versatility of the organ was used primarily as the basis for the selection. It is a three-manual instrument of twenty ranks comprising a total of 1,414 pipes.

It is capable of reproducing the finest music in concert-organ literature. It is an organ designed to our type of worship service, the size of the auditorium, and the accoustical properties of the building.

CHURCH LIBRARY

LIBRARIANS LEFT TO RIGHT — Mary Morren, Betty Shoemaker, Jeanette Vander Werff, Mr. L. Sharpe.

The congregational library was started in the fall of 1950. Mr. L. Sharpe has been the faithful librarian throughout all these thirty-one years. For six years before his resignation, he was ably assisted by Miss Jeanette Vander Werff. The church will remember her for setting up a systematic card system which has made for efficient cataloging of all the volumes.

Miss Mary Morren who had been serving as assistant to both Mr. Sharpe and Miss Vander Werff has been joined by Betty Shoemaker. The two will work co-operatively in conjunction with Mr. Sharpe in an attempt to maintain the high standard of service for which the library has become known.

The library is open the second and fourth Tuesday nights except during July and August when it is open on Sunday after the morning service.

The library contains about 1900 books.

A binder has been prepared listing important books related to church and missions.

The National Geographic Magazines from 1928 to 1961 have been bound in book form.

The library contains the Acts of Synod since the year 1857.

More shelves have been added to take care of additional books and new lights have been installed for greater efficiency. A desk, chair and typewriter have been added to complete the office equipment.

The library contains a great variety of books covering many subjects, offering excellent reading material for young and old.

Library Board Members:

Bert H. Brouwer, Chairman
Lambert Sharpe
Betty Shoemaker
Kate Shoemaker
Gerrit Veenboer

MEN'S SOCIETY "SEARCH THE SCRIPTURE"

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — William Vanden Bosch, John Wabeke, Harold Becksvoort, Willard De Vries, James J. Sturing, Lambert Sharpe, Leonard Vander Veer, Dick Huizenga.
SECOND ROW — Fred Volkers, Lawrence Wildschut, Dick Vanden Heuvel, William Louwsma, Otto Kamstra, Jack Wildschut, Benjamin Steenwyk, John Van Loo, Martin Hieftje, Walter Van Der Veer, George Dekker, Alfred Dozeman.
THIRD ROW — Joe Raak, Dick Langemaat, John Vanden Heuvel, James Mulder, Peter De Kock, Benjamin Shoemaker, William Blacquiere, Clare De Went, Henry Ter Haar, Herman Gruppen, Benjamin Otting.
FOURTH ROW — Ben Overweg, Benjamin Raterink, Robert Gort, Simon Boschma, Marvin Lokers, Willis Lookerse, John Lokers, Glenn Nykamp, Peter Lookerse, Gerrit Morren, Joe Kramer, Howard Folkert.
FIFTH ROW — Elmer Hoeksema, James H. Sturing, Ralph Oertel, Dennis Walters, Gelmer Ter Haar, Cornelius Karsten, Gerrit Veenboer, John Seinen, Andrew Boerigter, Leonard Seinen, Harold De Koster, Clarence Jager, Howard Redder.
ABSENT — Henry Lubbers, Henry Haverdink, Edward Wyngarden, Clarence Schaap.

The Men's Society "Search the Scriptures" was organized on the evening of October 1, 1928 under the leadership of our pastor, Rev. Wm. Kok. The initial enrollment consisted of 13 members.

For our Bible lessons we studied the book of Esther.

On January 28, 1929 the society affiliated with the Federation of Reformed Men's Societies.

At the time of organization the society was not given a name but on March 11, 1929 the name "Search the Scriptures" was adopted. This name has never been changed.

For many years the "Federation Messenger" has been used as a study guide to the Bible.

"Search the Scriptures" meets every Monday evening from 8 to 9 o'clock. Our present Bible leader is James J. Sturing.

Officers:

President — Willard De Vries
Vice President — Harold Becksvoort
Secretary — John Wabeke
Treasurer and Ass't Secretary-Treasurer — Wm. Vanden Bosch

JUNIOR MEN'S SOCIETY

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Dr. John Medendorp, Bible Leader; Alvin Borgman, Andrew Vanden Bosch, Marvin Tubergen, Milton Roelofs, Donald Van Dragt.
SECOND ROW — John Rietsma, Sylvan Wassink, Herman Hulst, Clifford Kragt, Foster Nykamp, Ronald Overweg, Clifford Vander Hulst, Jerome Vander Veer.
THIRD ROW — Harold Boss, Clarence Elenbaas, Lloyd De Kock, Harvey Oetman, Dale Brouwer, Henry Van Noord, Roger Westveld.
FOURTH ROW — Harvey Geerlings, John Klingenberg, Donald Ensing, Harold Vanden Bosch, Dr. Melvin Frieswyk, Dennis Scholten, Donald Wierda.
ABSENT — John Masselink, Dennis Vanden Heuvel, Ken Louwsma.

The Junior Men's Society was organized in the fall of 1946. Rev. D. D. Bonnema was our first president and Bible teacher. Rev. A. Rozendal served in the same capacity during his nine years as our minister.

The Society meets on the first, third and fifth Wednesday of the month. The first hour is given to Bible study from the Federation Messenger. At present, during our vacancy, Dr. J. Medendorp, is leading the Bible lesson.

Church Order and the Belgic Confession have given the group ample material for after recess discussions. About twice a year an outside speaker is brought in to speak on some timely subject.

The Society does not establish a set amount for dues but takes an offering at each meeting.

The average attendance ranges from 25 to 30 members per meeting.

Officers:

President — Dr. J. Medendorp
Vice President — Alvin Borgman
Secretary — Andrew Vanden Bosch
Treasurer — Marvin Tubergen
Ass't. Secretary and Treasurer — Milton Roelofs

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CLUB

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Miss Betty Shoemaker, Mrs. Elmer Hoeksema, Mrs. Cornelius Karsten, Mrs. Ralph Visser, Mrs. Jason De Kock, Mrs. William Blacquiere, Mrs. Alvin Beukema, Mrs. Paul Riemersma.
SECOND ROW — Mrs. Ben Shoemaker, Miss Lenore Vander Veer, Mrs. Nelson Riemersma, Mrs. Donald Terpstra, Mrs. Julius Vander Hill, Mrs. Derk Langemaat, Mrs. Harold Klynstra, Mrs. Lawrence Wildschut, Mrs. John Kalman, Mrs. John Cook, Mrs. Henry Klynstra.
THIRD ROW — Mrs. Henry Ter Haar, Mrs. Dennis Vanden Heuvel, Mrs. Harold Vanden Bosch, Mrs. John Wabeke, Mrs. Harold Becksvoort, Mrs. Melvin Frieswyk, Mrs. John Klinenberg, Mrs. William Vanden Bosch, Mrs. Arie Spek, Mrs. Harold De Koster, Mrs. Andrew Vanden Bosch.
FOURTH ROW — Mrs. Herman Gruppen, Mrs. William Wynsma, Mrs. Eldon Moore, Jr., Mrs. Alvin Borgman, Mrs. Gelmer Van Noord, Mrs. Dale Brouwer, Mrs. Eldon Moore, Sr., Mrs. Clarence Schaap, Mrs. Vernon Volkers, Mrs. Alfred Dozeman, Miss Frances Riemersma.
FIFTH ROW — Mrs. John Masselink, Mrs. Marvin Lokers, Mrs. James De Kock, Mrs. Roger Miedema, Mrs. Allyn Arendsen, Mrs. Clare De Went, Mrs. Myrtle Vander Yacht, Mrs. Wendell Bonnema, Mrs. Lloyd De Kock, Mrs. Sylvan Wassink.
ABSENT — Mrs. John Arendsen, Mrs. Richard Brummel, Mrs. Arlan Van Hoven, Mrs. John Rietsma.

The Christian Fellowship Club was organized on October 29, 1941. There were 28 members present at the first meeting. The Club grew rapidly with new members added at almost every meeting. There were 126 members on the roll during the years 1947 to 1960. At present the membership totals 97.

Rev. William Steenland served as the first Bible leader and Mrs. D. D. Bonnema was the first president.

A Nursery was inaugurated by the Club in October of 1942 for the purpose of providing facilities for the care of small children during Sunday morning services.

The group was organized as an evening society for the young mothers who could not meet in the afternoon and also for any others who for various reasons were unable to attend an afternoon meeting.

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CLUB

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Mrs. Jack Wildschut, Mrs. John Kloosterman, Miss Wilma Van Dragt, Mrs. Ronald Overweg, Mrs. Martin Hieftje, Mrs. Harold Boss, Mrs. Donald Wierda.
SECOND ROW — Mrs. Bernard Diekema, Mrs. Henry Van Noord, Mrs. Simon Boschma, Mrs. Foster Nykamp, Mrs. Henry Haverdink, Mrs. Kenneth Redder, Mrs. Dennis Scholten, Mrs. Milton Roelofs.
THIRD ROW — Mrs. Jerome Vander Veer, Mrs. Herman Hulst, Mrs. Ralph Oertel, Mrs. Leonard Seinen, Mrs. Clarence Elenbaas, Mrs. Clifford Vander Hulst, Mrs. John Spykman, Mrs. Robert Kraai, Mr. James Scheele.
FOURTH ROW — Mrs. Glenn Nykamp, Mrs. Ben Steenwyk, Mrs. Harvey Geerlings, Mrs. Dennis Walters, Mrs. Dick Walters, Mrs. Robert Dykstra, Mrs. Roger Lamer, Mrs. Donald Van Dragt.
FIFTH ROW — Mrs. John Casemier, Mrs. Chester Leetsma, Mrs. Roger Westveld, Mrs. Glen Zuverink, Mrs. Jerry Westveld, Mrs. Leona Ten Harmsel, Mrs. Gordon Zwagerman, Mrs. Ronald Van Dyke, Mrs. John Overweg.

The Club was organized with the object of building up God's kingdom. The records say, "We propose to do this by the studying of the Word of God, by raising funds or giving material assistance to our church and to the church at large. The desire of our hearts and the work of our hands are consecrated to Him. We shall meet for Christian benevolence and edification, and for the cultivation of Christian fellowship. Every member pledges herself to work for the good of the Club, by endeavoring to increase the membership, by maintaining that decorum which becomes a Club of professedly Christian women in order that the church may know that it has in the Club an aid for its spiritual interest as well as material support."

Meetings are held every second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 8 P.M.

Officers:

President — Mrs. Angie Vanden Heuvel
Vice President — Mrs. Irene Frieswyk
Secretary — Miss Lenore Vander Veer
Treasurer — Mrs. Betty Wierda
Ass't. Secretary — Mrs. Elaine Van Noord
Ass't. Treasurer — Mrs. Delores Lamer

PRISCILLA MISSION SOCIETY

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Mrs. Lawrence Shoemaker, Mrs. Ara Bonnema, Mrs. Ben Vander Weide, Mrs. Peter De Kock, Mrs. Robert Gort, Mrs. Henry Van Gelderen, Mrs. Winnie Vredeveld, Mrs. John Helder, Mrs. Johanna Habers, Mrs. John Lokers, Mrs. Albert Vanden Bosch.

SECOND ROW — Mrs. John Van Rhee, Mrs. Mary Van Dragt, Mrs. Melis Van Kampen, Mrs. John Vanden Heuvel, Mrs. John Bos, Mrs. John Vanden Bosch, Mrs. Ben Raterink, Mrs. John Seinen, Mrs. Raymond Shoemaker, Mrs. Henry Wesseldyke, Mrs. Henry Boerman, Mrs. Benjamin Vander Hulst, Mrs. Henry Kuipers, Mrs. Peter Lookerse.

THIRD ROW — Mrs. Leonard Raterink, Mrs. Martin Geerlings, Mrs. Adriana Vredeveld, Mrs. Dick Vanden Heuvel, Mrs. Andrew Heyboer, Mrs. Johanna Lampen, Mrs. Henry Westveld, Mrs. Nick Nykamp, Mrs. James Mulder, Mrs. Andrew Boerigter, Mrs. Isaac Haak, Mrs. Charles Raak, Mrs. Jennie Wierda, Mrs. Anna Kiekover.

FOURTH ROW — Miss Kate Shoemaker, Mrs. Agnes Beukema, Mrs. Ann Karsten, Mrs. Edward Wyngarden, Mrs. John Medendorp, Mrs. Otto Kamstra, Mrs. John Beukema, Mrs. Henry Overweg, Mrs. James Sturing, Mrs. Joe Raak, Mrs. John Mast, Mrs. Gerrit Veenboer, Mrs. Jennie Scholten, Mrs. Andrew Wagner.

FIFTH ROW — Mrs. Fred Volkers, Mrs. Nell Masselink, Mrs. Gertie Boonstra, Mrs. William Louwsma, Mrs. Christine VanDer Plaats, Mrs. Gerrit Mast, Mrs. Cornelius Shoemaker, Mrs. Walter Vander Veer, Mrs. Jennie Nyboer, Mrs. John Scholten, Mrs. Edward Van Rhee, Mrs. Rose Elenbaas, Mrs. Willard De Vries, Mrs. Gerrit Lubbers, Mrs. Dick Huizenga, Mrs. Gelmer Ter Haar, Mrs. Adelaide Vereeke.

ABSENT — Mrs. John Van Loo, Mrs. Ben Veneklasen, Mrs. William Gruppen, Mrs. Dena Karsten.

The first meeting of the Priscilla Mission Society was held in April, 1923. Mrs. R. Pool was elected as our first President and Rev. M. Van Vessem was our Bible leader. The meetings were held in the old Chapel.

Our initial enrollment consisted of 16 members. We met the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month between the hours of 2 and 4 P.M.

The first hour is devoted to Bible study, permitting the second hour for the transaction of necessary business matters.

The purpose of this society is to work almost exclusively for missions. Various projects are carried on to raise money for missionary causes.

In 1935 we moved to our present Chapel using one of the upstairs rooms.

Each year the membership increased so that by 1948, when we celebrated our 25th Anniversary, we had an enrollment of 50 members. At this time Rev. D. D. Bonnema lead us in Bible Study and Mrs. R. Pool was still our faithful president.

In 1951 when Rev. Bonnema left for Hospers, Iowa, Mrs. L. Shoemaker, Vice-president, took charge and Rev. C. Wm. Flietstra taught the Bible lesson.

When our church was completed we moved to a room in the basement.

Upon the arrival of Rev. A. Rozendal he became our Bible leader and served us for nine years, leaving for Patterson, N.J. in November, 1961. Presently Mrs. L. Shoemaker serves in the capacity of president and Bible teacher. The present enrollment is 74, of which nine are charter members. The society also has 15 associate members.

Officers:

President — Mrs. L. Shoemaker
Vice President — Mrs. D. Bonnema
Secretary — Mrs. J. Vereeke
Treasurer — Mrs. R. Gort
Vice Secretary — Mrs. J. Raak
Vice Treasurer — Mrs. P. De Kock

MR. AND MRS. CLUB

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Robert Dykstra, Mrs. Robert Dykstra, John Klingenberg, Mrs. John Klingenberg, Chester Leetsma, Mrs. Chester Leetsma, Dr. Melvin Frieswyk, Bible Leader.
SECOND ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Jacob Smith, Mrs. Jacob Smith, Frederick Vanden Bosch, Mrs. Frederick Vanden Bosch, Alvin Wesseldyke, Mrs. Alvin Wesseldyke, Roger Grinwis, Mrs. Roger Grinwis, Laverne De Vries, Mrs. Laverne De Vries.
THIRD ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — John E. Vanden Heuvel, Mrs. John E. Vanden Heuvel, Warren Cook, Mrs. Warren Cook, John Nykamp, Mrs. John Nykamp, Eldon Jr. Moore, Mrs. Eldon Jr. Moore, Ronald Overweg, Mrs. Ronald Overweg.
FOURTH ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Earl Brummel, Mrs. Earl Brummel, Floyd Padding, Mrs. Floyd Padding, Orrin Padding, Mrs. Orrin Padding, Richard Brummel, Mrs. Richard Brummel, Clifford Kragt, Mrs. Clifford Kragt.
ABSENT FROM PICTURE — Mr. and Mrs. Jason Scholten, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Overweg.

The Mr. and Mrs. Club was organized on February 8, 1956. Six couples comprised the original membership.

Rev. A. Rozendal was instrumental in organizing the club and served as our Bible leader. At present Dr. M. Frieswyk is functioning in that capacity.

The membership has grown to about twenty couples.

Young married couples with a combined age total of 80 years, or less, are welcome to join this organization.

The club meets on the second Wednesday of each month for Bible study which is followed by a social hour.

The purpose of the club is to stimulate Christian Fellowship among young married couples of our church.

Officers:

President — Robert Dykstra
Vice President — John Klingenberg
Secretary — Mrs. Chester Leetsma
Treasurer — Mrs. Jack Smith
Ass't. Secretary and Treasurer — Mrs. Fred Vanden Bosch

YOUNG PEOPLES BIBLE CLASS

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Mr. Gerrit Veenboer, teacher; Judith Vanden Heuvel, Mary Dozeman, Margy Jekel, Carol De Koster, Janice Vanden Bosch, Simon Van Asperen.
SECOND ROW — David Vander Yacht, Kenneth Wierda, Aldajean Vanden Bosch, Beth Lokers, Joyce Mulder, Allen Boerman, Lawrence Shoemaker.
THIRD ROW — David Bonnema, Jerry De Koster, Arlin Vanden Bosch, Ralph Van Asperen, Erwin Gruppen, Glenn Boerigter.

What to provide for the young people of the church who are 18 years and older, has been of deep concern to our Consistory for many years. It is common knowledge that many of our young people "break off" more or less abruptly from society life after they have made Confession of Faith. By so doing the continuity of their Christian witness is partially interrupted.

To overcome this deficiency in our church program, the Consistory has made arrangement for a class to meet during the Sunday School hour. This provides an opportunity for people in this age group to avail themselves of this worthwhile privilege.

The interest of our church in this group is accentuated by the fact that these young folk represent the future of our church and there is a tremendous potential for kingdom service.

The class meets immediately after the church service and functions under the name of the "Young Peoples' Bible Class." It is presently being taught by Mr. Gerrit Veenboer.

THE TEEN CLUB

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Paul Geerlings, Sharon Van Rhee, Julie Schaap, Robert Walters, Mr. Donald Wierda (Leader).
SECOND ROW — Jane Klynstra, Marilyn Seinen, Grace Langemaat, Helene Scholten, Charlene Vereeke, Minnie Langemaat, Evelyn Geerlings, Mary Nykamp.
THIRD ROW — Carol Arendsen, Iris Mast, Glenda Redder, Mary Gruppen, Lois Gruppen, Linda Vander Yacht, Judith Nykamp, Glenda Nykamp.
FOURTH ROW — Harvey Raterink, Fred Volkers, Ronald Nykamp, Keith Medendorp, Herbert Langemaat, Roger Moore, Marvin Zwagerman, Ronald Shoemaker.
FIFTH ROW — Barton Volkers, James Becksvoort, Harvard Arendsen, Robert Machiele.
ABSENT — Patricia Borgman, Robert Boonstra, Marcia De Vries, Bernice Steenwyk.

The "Teen Club" of the First Christian Reformed Church was formed on Nov. 13, 1961.

The girl members came from the "Esther Society" and the boys from the "Knights in Armor."

The group has weekly meetings and the Bible lessons are taken from the Young Calvinist. The club still belongs to the Young Calvinist League. Each year two members are chosen to represent us at the special League meetings.

This newly organized group has been searching for projects that they might be able to sponsor.

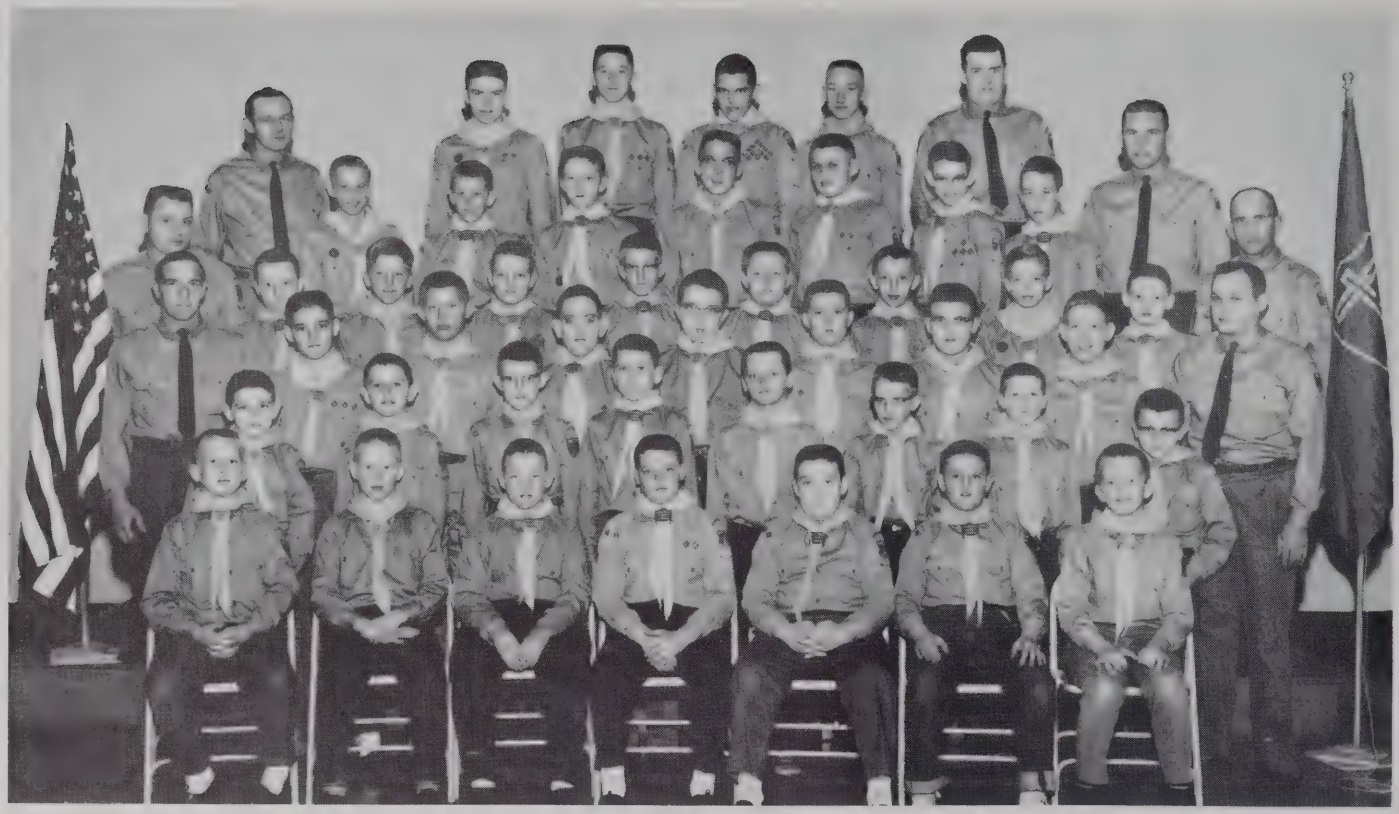
Don Wierda is the Bible teacher.

Present Officers:

Paul Geerlings, President
Sharon Van Rhee, Vice Pres.
Julie Schaap, Secretary
Robert Walters, Treasurer

How shall the young direct their way?
What light shall be their perfect guide?
Thy Word O Lord, will safely lead,
If in its wisdom they confide.
Sincerely I have sought Thee Lord
O let me not from Thee depart;
To know Thy will and keep from sin
Thy Word I cherish in my heart.

THE CALVINIST CADETS



FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Michael Vander Plaats, William Blacquiere, Richard Shoemaker, Jack Boss, Alan Van Noord, Norman Nykamp, Roger Boerigter.
SECOND ROW — Ronald Wittingen, Gerrit Langemaat, Ralph Vander Burgh, Keith Schaap, Jack Redder, Vernon Brummel, Howard Bultman, David Smith.
THIRD ROW — Sherwin Louwsma, Counselor; Richard Volkers, James Boerigter, Paul Van Dragt, David Walters, Michael Zuverink, Robert Frieswyk, Howard Blacquiere, Vernon Volkers, Counselor.
FOURTH ROW — Alvin Borgman, John Casemier, James Redder, Duane Brummel, Wayne Balder, Harold Vanden Bosch, Bruce Sturing, Paul Beukema, Clarence Elenbaas, Counselor.
FIFTH ROW — Fred Vanden Bosch, Counselor; Jack Vanden Heuvel, Howard Hoeksema, Douglas Terpstra, John Frieswyk, Wesley Masselink, Bryan Dozeman, Jon Klynstra, Jason De Kock, Counselor.
SIXTH ROW — Roger Lamer, Counselor; Duane Vanden Bosch, William Vanden Bosch, Jerry Van Noord, James Vander Yacht, Julius Vander Hill, Counselor.

The Calvinist Cadet Club was organized in Sept. 1955. It is a member of the National Calvinist Cadet Corps. The Club is divided into separate Cadres, each with its own Counselor. The Cadets learn to develop many skills, hobbies and talents. They have various activities such as camp-outs, hikes, over night hikes, and doing acts of Christian mercy. They participate in a softball league during the summer and a basketball league during the winter months. Their Rank and Merit Badge program covers a wide variety of Merit Badges covering all phases of a boy's life. The purpose and aim of the Cadets is summed up in the Cadet motto which is "Living for Jesus" and this is the central teaching of the club so that:

"In everything we do each day
Let's do it all in such a way,
That in our hearts we gladly say,
I'm 'Living for Jesus'."

CADETS IN ACTION

SENIOR CALVINETTES

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Carol Vander Hill, Marjorie Karsten, Ruth Gruppen, Laurel Karsten.
SECOND ROW — Miss Betty Shoemaker (Counselor), Barbara Redder, Helen Ter Haar, Judith Nykamp, Lila Scholten, Jean Sturing, Karen Schaap, Mrs. Jerry Westveld (Counselor).
TOP ROW — Mrs. John Spykman (Counselor), Margo Hieftje, Gayle Bonnema, Jane Bultman, Mrs. Vernon Volkers (Counselor).

The Senior Calvinette Club started as a girls' club in the Fall of 1957. In February of 1958 the Young Calvinist Federation of North America organized a division of the Federation for girls' clubs and received the official name of "Calvinettes."

The Rank and Merit Badge program of the Calvinettes is a means whereby advancement in Bible knowledge and growth in skills are measured and for which awards are earned. It is designed to carry over Bible knowledge into daily activities. It is a "Leadership Training Program" in which young girls are trained to take their places as future leaders in our churches. Activities of the club include hikes, camp-outs, works of Christian mercy and learning different crafts. The purpose of these clubs is to develop talents that God has given each girl to His Honor and Glory, to learn new skills and provide Christian fellowship with other girls in other churches and locale. The aim of the Calvinettes is taken from 1 Timothy 4:7b ". . . . . Exercise thyself unto Godliness," and the verse is Proverbs 31:30 "Grace is deceitful and beauty is vain; but a woman that feareth Jehovah, she shall be praised."

JUNIOR CALVINETTES

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Norma Nykamp, Barbara Brummel, Carla Heyboer, Janice Becksvoort, Marcia Scholten, Dawn Vanden Heuvel.
SECOND ROW — Linda Oetman, Gayle Vanden Heuvel, Judith Hulst, Lizbeth Vander Plaats, Ruth Morren, Janice Boonstra, Iris Beukema.
THIRD ROW — Beverly Vander Hill, Sheryl Wabeke, Linda Haverdink, Marcia Diekema, Mary Vander Yacht, Mary Kraai.
FOURTH ROW — Ruth Ter Haar, Mary Jo Shoemaker, Diane Vanden Bosch.

The Junior Calvinette Club was organized in December of 1961. It follows the same program as the Senior Calvinettes with Ranks adjusted to younger girls. They are also members of The Young Calvinist Federation of North America and their aim and Bible verse are the same as the Senior group.

Calvinettes' Hymn

(Tune: Stand Up Stand Up For Jesus)

O Calvinettes march forward,
March bravely to the strife.
The Lord will ever guide you
O let Him rule your life.
In church, in home, in school,
In worship, work, and play
The Lord your strength and Savior
Refresh you every day.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

Galatians 6:10 — And as we have therefore opportunity let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.

The Sunday School of the First Christian Reformed Church was organized on January 7, 1883. It began with fifteen teachers and 165 pupils. The Rev. L. Rietdyk became the first president and Mr. B. J. Poest served as the first superintendent.

The Holland language was used until 1920, a period of 37 years. The Sunday School papers published at this time were the Bode, The Instructor, and the Primary Instructor. Originally, Sunday School was conducted for twelve months of the year. This continued until the year 1934 when the month of August was designated as vacation time. At present the months of July and August are set aside as vacation periods.

On Friday night of each week the teachers meet to study the lesson in preparation for their classes on Sunday. They also meet periodically for the purpose of transacting a great variety of business that finds its way on the agenda.

The offering taken each Sunday is used for general operations, consisting of expenses connected with Sunday School papers, awards, programs and the like. Monies in excess of the general operating expense is donated to worthwhile causes both outside and inside the church. Our church has been benefited by the fund in the form of maps, library books, piano, floor coverings and Bibles for the church pews. Since January 1, 1947 the first offering of each month is given for part support of the salary of Miss Gertrude Van Haitsma. The Sunday School also gives those in our church, who have no connections through the children, an opportunity to contribute to the mission fund. This is done by means of envelopes and the response is gratifying. In the past special "penny and nickel" offerings have been taken for special needs on the mission field. Such an offering occured in 1933 for Miss Johanna Veenstra. The teachers also have a fund of their own out of which incidentals are paid.

The Christmas program, enjoyed by all the pupils, is under the direction of the Sunday School teachers. At one time the summer picnic was also under the supervision of the teachers but since 1957 the church council has assumed sponsorship for it and it is now called the congregational picnic.

The Sunday School belongs to the Mid-west Sunday School Convention which conducts an all-day convention each year in September. The inspiration and fellowship enjoyed by all the teachers make this a much worthwhile event. Teachers are also introduced to new techniques and approaches that can be used in teaching their classes.

The changing of times has also brought changes in our Sunday School methods and procedures. For example, the Sunday School now uses graded materials as follows:

The Bible Light for ages 4 - 7

The Bible Guide for ages 8 - 11

The Bible Truth for ages 12 and up

Young people over 18 — Bible Crusader

The schools' present enrollment is 367 and it is staffed with 26 teachers.

Another innovation started in October of 1954 which permits the teachers of our church, together with those from neighboring communities, to have a combined teachers' meeting each Friday night. The lessons are taught by one of the teachers from the Reformed Bible Institute.

In the past the pastor currently serving the congregation has always acted as president. The following have served as superintendents:

Mr. B. J. Poest

Mr. A. Naaije

Mr. W. Baarman

Mr. J. Mulder

Mr. J. Buter

Mr. B. Sharpe

Mr. F. Volkers

Mr. F. Nykamp

The Sunday School has always tried to impress upon the young minds the mission emphasis of the church and their participation in it through their offerings and prayers.

I Corinthians 15:58 — Therefore my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, for as much as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Foster Nykamp, Supt.; Dennis Vanden Heuvel, Ass't. Supt. & Treas.; Bert Brouwer, Vice Pres.; Gertrude De Roo, Sec'y.; Mrs. Willard Dykens, Ass't. Sec'y.; Frederick Vanden Bosch, Ass't Treas.; Cornelius Beukema.

SECOND ROW — Mrs. Henrietta Van Spyker, Grace De Roo, Mrs. William Blacquiere, Mrs. Herman Gruppen, Marcia Helder, Mrs. Jerry Westveld, Donna Mast, Mrs. Gelmer Ter Haar, Mrs. Benjamin Shoemaker.

THIRD ROW — Mrs. Henry Van Noord, Harold Boss, Richard Brummel, Donald Wierda, Earl Brummel, John Wabeke, Hazel Wierda.

FOURTH ROW — Dale Brouwer, Lloyd De Kock, Gerrit Veenboer, John Masselink, Andrew Vanden Bosch, Librarian; Lawrence Wildschut, Librarian.

O teach me, Lord, that I may teach
The precious things Thou dost impart;
And wing my words that they may reach
The hidden depths of many a heart.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Janice Cook, Brenda Zwagerman, Mary Vander Veer, Lonnie Zuverink, Cheryl Sterken, Sharon Brummel.
SECOND ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Beverly Vander Hulst, Jan Vanden Heuvel, Jane Masselink, Darlene Riemersma, Rhonda Meinema, Susan Dykstra, Elayne Hoeksema, Peggy Kragt.
THIRD ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Dale Ensing, Jack Scholten, Mark Weaver, Brian Visser, Rodney Diekema, Michael Kuipers, Rodney Scholten.
FOURTH ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Miss Grace De Roo, teacher; Mark Volkers, Ronald Geerlings, David Vander Hulst, Carl Jager, Billy Wynsma, Ralph Oertel.
ABSENT FROM PICTURE — Mary Sturing, Louise Spykman, Polly Meeuwsen, Danny Postma, Curtis Moore, Debra Graveling.

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Nancy Spek, Beverly Walters, Karen Jager, Carol Kragt, Sandra Tubergen, Sandra Masselink.
SECOND ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Patti Diekema, Cathy Scholten, Debra Rietsma, Vicky Riemersma, Sandra Brummel, Cheryl De Kock, Kimberly Cook.
THIRD ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Lila Kloosterman, Laverne Overweg, Alan Visser, Larry Bultman, Robert Wittingen, Larry Zuverink, Charles Elenbaas, Rose Garvelink.
FOURTH ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Miss Gertrude De Roo, teacher; Carl Van Noord, Scott Weaver, Brian Geerlings, Kevin Klynstra, Michael Redder, Don Karsten.
ABSENT — John Mast.

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Mary Terpstra, Kathleen Bonnema, Linda Lokers, Sallie Scholten, Ruth Nykamp, Sally Mast, Miss Marcia Helder, teacher.

TOP ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Allie Langemaat, Linda Mast, Ingrid Spykman, Talida Wynsma, Mary Frieswyk, Kathy Heyboer, Debra Smith, Beverly Oetman.

ABSENT — Sharon Zuverink.

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Norma Overweg, William Louwsma, Brian De Kock, Roger Overweg, Mrs. William Blacquiere, teacher.

TOP ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Robert Hieftje, Mark Geerlings, Douglas Zwagerman.

ABSENT — Jack Kloosterman.

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Sharon Hulst. Nancy Vanden Heuvel, Debra Haverdink, Mary Ann Walters, Mrs. Willard Dykens, teacher.

TOP ROW — Rosanne Kloosterman, Sally Arendsen, Pamela Padding.

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Harold Boss, teacher; Garry Nykamp, Norman Garvelink, Wilson Sterken, Daryl Vanden Bosch.

TOP ROW — Jack Brummel, Gordon Kragt, Richard Machiele, Larry Wildschut, Kenneth Westveld.

ABSENT — Gilbert Mast.

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Vicki Lokers, Karen Klynstra, Mary Schipper, Sue Frieswyk, Miss Donna Mast, teacher.

TOP ROW — Darlene Brummel, Carol Jager, Rosalee Kragt, Barbara Van Dragt, Vicki Zuverink.

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Russel Brummel, Duane Garvelink, Charles Tubergen, Gregory Sterken, Thomas Boss, Dale Brouwer, teacher.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Marcia Diekema, Marcia Scholten, Diane Vanden Bosch, Mrs. Ben Shoemaker, teacher.

TOP ROW — Alynn Sterken, Linda Oetman, Debra Cook.

ABSENT — Linda Vanden Heuvel.

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TOP ROW — Linda Haverdink, Dawn Vanden Heuvel, Judith Hulst, Lizbeth Vander Plaats, Gayle Vanden Heuvel, Janice Becksvoort.

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — John Masselink, teacher; Roger Boerigter, Alvin Borgman, Gerrit Langemaat.

TOP ROW — Norman Nykamp, Alan Van Noord, Duane Brummel, Michael Zuverink, Keith Schaap, Ralph Vander Burgh.

ABSENT — John Casemier.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Sheryl Wabeke, Ruth Morren, Iris Beukema, Mrs. Henry Van Noord, teacher.

TOP ROW — Barbara Brummel, Ruth Ter Haar, Norma Nykamp, Janice Boonstra, Carla Heyboer, Mary Jo Shoemaker.

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Douglas Terpstra, James Redder, Wesley Masselink, Paul Van Dragt.

SECOND ROW — Richard Shoemaker. Howard Hoeksema, Paul Beukema, Lindsay Vanden Bosch.

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FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Ruth Gruppen, Marjorie Karsten, Lila Scholten, Gayle Bonnema.

TOP ROW — Greta Langemaat, Mrs. M. Van Spyker, teacher.

ABSENT — Karen Schaap, Jean Sturing.

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — David Mast, Bryan Dozeman, Richard Brummel, teacher.

TOP ROW — Robert Frieswyk, Richard Volkers.

ABSENT — Jason Walters, Lester Vanden Heuvel.

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Mrs. Gelmer Ter Haar, teacher; Barbara Redder, Jane Bultman.

TOP ROW — Helen Ter Haar, Laurel Karsten, Carol Vander Hill, Margo Hieftje.

ABSENT — Ruth Vander Burgh, Roselyn Walters.

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Duane Vanden Bosch, Jerry Van Noord, William Vanden Bosch, John Wabeke, teacher.

TOP ROW — Jack Vanden Heuvel, James Boerigter, James Vander Yacht, John Frieswyk, Howard Blacquiere, David Geerlings.

ABSENT — Edwin Heyboer, Ken Zuverink, Terry Vanden Heuvel.

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Patricia Borgman, Judith Nykamp, Marcia De Vries, Helene Scholten.

TOP ROW — Cornelius Beukema, teacher; Glenda Nykamp, Mary Gruppen, Charlene Vereeke, Minnie Langemaat, Evelyn Geerlings, Mary Nykamp.

FRONT ROW LEFT TO RIGHT — Ronald Shoemaker, Ronald Nykamp, Fred Volkers, Fred Vanden Bosch, teacher.

TOP ROW — Roger Moore, Robert Walters, Harvey Raterink.

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SECOND ROW — Julie Schaap, Marilyn Le Poire, Glenda Redder, Carol De Went, Marilyn Seinen.
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Thy Word is like a garden, Lord,
With flowers bright and fair;
And every one who seeks may pluck
A lovely cluster there.

Thy Word is like a deep, deep mine
And jewels rich and rare
Are hidden in its mighty depths
For every searcher there.

— Gospel Herald

ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY

April 1, 1962 — 9:30 A.M.
REV. A. E. ROZENDAL, *guest preacher*
(former pastor — 1952 - 1961)

Organ Prelude — "The Pilgrims Song of Hope" — *E. Batiste* . . . Mrs. Arie Spek
Silent Prayer . . . . . Congregation
Organ . . . . . "Hear Our Prayer"
Psalter Hymnal No. 191 . . . . . Congregation Standing
Votum and Salutation
Reading of the Law
Response by Congregation . . . . . Psalter Hymnal No. 2, verse 2
Psalter Hymnal No. 408 . . . . . Congregation Seated
Selection — "Faith of Our Fathers" — *Hemy* . . . . . Ladies Trio
Mrs. Sylvan Wassink, Mrs. Lloyd De Kock, Mrs. Jason De Kock
Congregational Prayer
Offering — Organ Offertory — "Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us" — *Bradbury* . Mrs. Arie Spek
Psalter Hymnal No. 169 . . . . . Congregation Standing
Scripture — I Peter 2:1-12
Sermon — "The Church's One Foundation" — Text: I Peter 2:5,6
Prayer
Psalter Hymnal No. 398 . . . . . Congregation Standing
Benediction
Doxology — Psalter Hymnal No. 394, verse 1 . . . . . Congregation Standing
Postlude — "Revive Us Again" — *arranged by Eugene Clark* . . . Mrs. Arie Spek

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April 1, 1962 — 2:00 P.M.
REV. WILLIAM KOK, *gast predikant*
(vorige leeraar — 1927 - 1940)

Voorspel — "Daar Ruischt Langs de Wolken" — en Psalm 89 . . . Mrs. Arie Spek
Votum en Zegengroet
Psalm — Psalm 34:5 . . . . . *Gemeente*
Lezen der Wet of Geloofs Belijdens
Psalm — Psalm 84:1 . . . . . *Gemeente*
Gemeenschappelijk Gebed
Zingen van Psalm 89:7, 8 — Collecte . . . . . *Gemeente*
Lezen der Heilige Schrift . . . . . Psalm 48
Predikatie — "Het Zich Verheugen in God"
Gebed
Psalm — Psalm 68:10 . . . . . *Gemeente*
Zegen
Doxologie . . . . . *Gemeente*
Sluiting — "Dat Maakt Mij Zalig en Blij", en "Welk Een Vriend is Onze Jesus" . Mrs. Arie Spek

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April 1, 1962 — 7:00 P.M.
REV. RALPH WILDSCHUT, *guest preacher*
(son of the congregation, entered the ministry 1943)

Organ Prelude — "Fight the Good Fight" — *Adams* . . . . . Mrs. Ben Steenwyk
Silent Prayer . . . . . Congregation
Organ . . . . . "Hear Our Prayer"
Psalter Hymnal No. 37 . . . . . Congregation Standing
Votum and Salutation
Reading of the Creed
Response by Congregation . . . . . Psalter Hymnal No. 491
Reading Psalm of Praise . . . . . Psalm 33
Psalter Hymnal No. 380 . . . . . Congregation Seated
Anthem — "Bless the Lord O My Soul" — *Ivanoj* . . . . . Choir
Directed by Sherman Van der Ark
Congregational Prayer
Offering — Selection — "O Sing Unto the Lord" — *H. L. Hassler* . . . . . Choir
Directed by Sherman Van der Ark
Psalter Hymnal No. 407 . . . . . Congregation Standing
Scripture — John 1:19-37 — Text: John 1:29
Sermon — "A Challenging Testimony Concerning the Task of Christ"
Prayer
Psalter Hymnal No. 429 . . . . . Congregation Standing
Benediction
Doxology — Psalter Hymnal No. 493 . . . . . Congregation Standing
Postlude — "Send Out Thy Light" — *Gounod* . . . . . Mrs. Ben Steenwyk

HOMECOMING NIGHT

Tuesday, April 3, 1962

7:30 P.M.

Organ and Piano Prelude — "Faith of Our Fathers" medley — *Hemy* . Mrs. B. Steenwyk, Mrs. A. Beukema

Congregational Singing . . . . . Psalter Hymnal 159 and 398

Welcome . . . . . Rhonda Lea Meinema

Devotions . . . . . Rev. L. J. Hofman
Counselor

Greetings

Noordeloos Christian Reformed, mother church . . . . . Rev. H. Entingh
Third Christian Reformed, daughter church . . . . . Rev. A. W. Hoogstrate
Bethel Christian Reformed, daughter church . . . . . Rev. R. R. Graves

Selection — "Jesus Loves the Little Children" . . . . . Sunday School Children

Greetings . . . . . Rev. Frederick Wyngarden
Pastor, Westminster Presbyterian Church, Grand Rapids, Mich.
Representing sons of the congregation affiliated with other denominations

Address — "Lessons Learned from the Church's History" . . Rev. A. E. Rozendal
Former pastor
Pastor, Third Christian Reformed Church, Paterson, New Jersey

Selection — "Sing and Rejoice" — *Will James* . . . . . Choir
Directed by Sherman Van der Ark

Greetings . . . . . Miss Gertrude Van Haitsma
Teacher in Jos Nigeria, Africa, representing our missionaries

Greetings . . . . . Rev. William Kok
Former pastor
Teacher of Bible, South Christian High School, Grand Rapids, Michigan

Prayer . . . . . Dr. John Medendorp
Our fellow pastor

Congregational Singing (Standing) . . . . . Anniversary Hymn

Address — "Looking Back and Looking Ahead" . . . . . Rev. Ralph Wildschut
Son of the congregation
Pastor, Bethel Christian Reformed Church, Lansing, Ill.

Prayer . . . . . Rev. Ralph Wildschut

Doxology (Standing) . . . . . Congregation

Organ and Piano Postlude — "O God Our Help in Ages Past" — *Herbert* . Mrs. B. Steenwyk, Mrs. A. Beukema

FELLOWSHIP NIGHT

Wednesday, April 4, 1962

7:30 P.M.

Organ and Piano Prelude — "Crown Him Lord of All" — *Rogers* . . Mrs. A. Spek, Mrs. C. Karsten

Congregational Singing . . . . . Psalter Hymnal No. 408 and 311

Welcome . . . . . Kimberley Sue Cook

Devotions . . . . . Bert H. Brouwer
Vice-president, Consistory

Greetings . . . . . Rev. Walter Hekman
Zeeland Classis

Selection — "Now Thank We All Our God" — *Cruger* . . . . . Male Quartet
R. Meidema, H. De Koster, H. Becksvoort, C. Karsten

Greetings

Reformed Churches of Zeeland . . . . . Rev. A. Newhouse

Christian Reformed Churches of Zeeland . . . . . Rev. L. J. Hofman

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Congregational Singing (Standing) . . . . . Anniversary Hymn

Prayer . . . . . Rev. A. E. Rozendal
Former pastor
Pastor, Third Christian Reformed Church, Paterson, New Jersey

Address — "The Church" . . . . . Rev. William Kok
Former pastor
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Selection — "Bless This House" — *Brake* . . . . . Ladies Trio
Mrs. L. De Kock, Mrs. J. De Kock, Mrs. S. Wassink

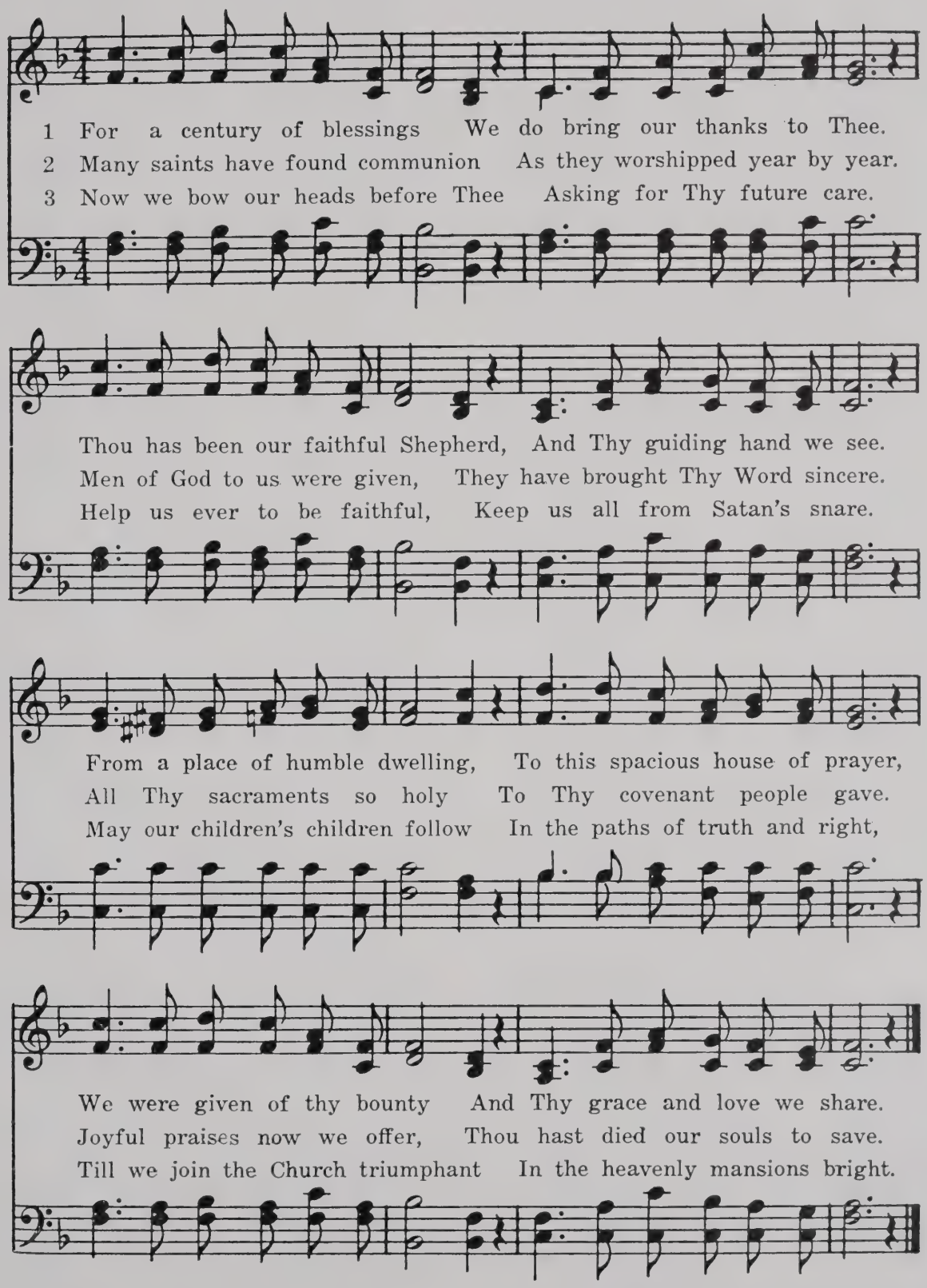
Prayer . . . . . Dr. John Medendorp
Our fellow pastor

Doxology (Standing) . . . . . Congregation

Postlude — "They That Trust in the Lord" — *Adams* . Mrs. A. Spek, Mrs. C. Karsten

Anniversary Hymn

(Tune — What a Friend We Have in Jesus)


1 For a century of blessings We do bring our thanks to Thee.
2 Many saints have found communion As they worshipped year by year.
3 Now we bow our heads before Thee Asking for Thy future care.
Thou has been our faithful Shepherd, And Thy guiding hand we see.
Men of God to us were given, They have brought Thy Word sincere.
Help us ever to be faithful, Keep us all from Satan's snare.
From a place of humble dwelling, To this spacious house of prayer,
All Thy sacraments so holy To Thy covenant people gave.
May our children's children follow In the paths of truth and right,
We were given of thy bounty And Thy grace and love we share.
Joyful praises now we offer, Thou hast died our souls to save.
Till we join the Church triumphant In the heavenly mansions bright.

—Mrs. Angie Vanden Heuvel

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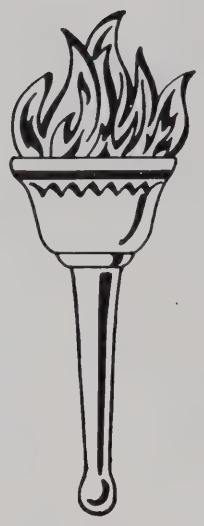

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